OUR LONDON LETTER.

From our own Correspondent.]

was as successful as it could be. It was a success in the streets. It was a success in the House of Lords. Yet in the which brings the service to a close. This morning everything seemed to be against arrangement is such that it enables mer a success. The sky was clouded. A who have not the thirty minutes to spare dull heavy mist, hardly to be distinguish- to come in for the litany, or to come after dull heavy mist, hardly to be distinguished from a fog, hung all over London. You had to light the gas to read. And so it continued all the morning. But at one o'clock when the men appeared with their sand carts to strew the streets, the mist suddenly lifted, the clouds disappeared as if by magic, and the sun, the appeared as if by magic and the sun, the appeared as if by magic appeared as if oldest courtier in the world, and not the Euricipation in the Hyun and the least obsequious, put in an appearance Litany has intensified the feeling that with such brilliancy, that even the the promotion of the higher life of each Persian Ambassador put his furred head individual has been the desire of these out of his carriage window to welcome who have provided the Services. the truant with a smile, or perhaps to make sure that it was the sun, and not some improvised sort of thing that is made to do duty for the sun upon State occasions. The Queen drove to West-Minster under a clear sky and a bright sun, and the cheering was sufficiently hearty and general, to assure Her Majesty that she still reigns in the hearts-still even lives in the recollections-of a loyal

I do not know whether you know the scene in the House of Lords. But as there is little of importance to chronicle this week, and it may be interesting to some of your readers, I will give you a description of it. It is a scene that has often been described, and it is a scene that never seems to vary. Perhaps a fresh face may turn up now and then in the Ambassaadors' corner, a fresh turban or a more glittering uniform. The Lord Chancellor is not always the same. The ministers and leaders of the Opposition change places. But the permanent features of the place are identical; the group of Peers in their robes of State the Bishops in their lawn, and the Pecresses all over the House in their velvets, satins and diamonds. It was not necessary this year to turn on the gas, although it was glittering in a sort of shimmer in the roof, and would in an instant have thrown a flood of light upon the rich glass of the windows, and to light up the dark panels, the frescoes, the gold and the scarlet benches with a dim religious light. More switched the scarlet benches with a dim religious light. the scene; for this year the sun was just This well-known School for the daughters of the dead, than for a Senate. There were more empty seats this year than I have ever seen when the Queen has been as the seather than the control of the daughters of Beauty of its situation, will properly control of the daughters of Beauty of its situation, will properly control of the daughters of Beauty of its situation, will properly control of the daughters of Beauty of its situation. ever seen when the Queen has been present—why, I do not know. The Queen looked well, but I wish Her Majesty could bring herself to show a little more could bring horself to show a little more interest in affairs. She looks every inch a Queen, with her crown, with the Ribbon of the Garter; but as far as interest goes you do not trace much. The robes of State are placed upon the throne. Her Majesty only sits upon them. The roll of MS. is presented to her upon the throne, by the Lord Chancellor, upon bended knee, and returned to him to throne, by the Lord Chancellor, upon bended knee, and returned to him to read, instead of being read by her as of old, and this, with the exception of walking into the House of Lords and walking out again, and making a slight, very slight, inclination of the head to the assembly, is all the Queen does—and the assembly, is all the Queen does-and that is done as if the whole affair was an

Intense bore, and I have no doubt it is.

Lent is being very well observed in the city, and many of the city Churches are having services at all times and of all kinds to suit all classes of men. Especially may this be said of St. Paul's Cathedral. Under its present management if her have the control of the city of the city Churches and of all kinds to suit all classes of men. Especially may this be said of St. Paul's Cathedral. Under its present management if her have the city of it has become the centre, not merely of attractive services and august ceremonies, but of genuine spiritual influence over the people of the metropolis. Besides the usual merning and evening prayer, there is an evening celebration of the

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I told you in my last of the opening of Parliament by the Queen, but the result of the Liverpool election has quite thrown into the shade the reyal Speech, the Address and its ceremony in the House of Lords. All London, of course, turned out to see Her Majesty and the cream-colored State horses, and the day was beautifully fine, quite a spring day, but every one knew that the fate of the session depended upon the Liverpool election a good deal more than it depended upon the Reyal Speech and its anneuncements, and therefore, except as a spectacle, there was little in the ceremony. But as a spectacle the ceremony was as successful as it could be. It was was as successful as it could be. It was specially successful as it could be. It was special



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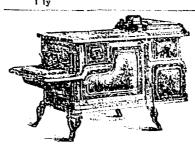
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