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peace. William Rufus built it to be a
place where he might meet his great
vassals in feast and council. And for
this "Rufus' roaring hall" (as
called it) our kings kept Christ-

An Irony of Fate.

On the third Edward sat to wel-
come the Black Prince, who was
John of France a prisoner to
him. And here, when he had rebuilt
Norman walls and spanned them
with the glorious roof of Irish oak
has been so long under restora-
tion. Richard II. feasted ten thousand
knights in the Christmas of 1398.
George from the first. Parlia-
ment in the hall he had repaired
himself. Under its roof he
wore his crown. Shakespeare pic-
tured him gazing into a mirror and
saying—

Was this the face
of my day under his household
tiled roof? Ten thousand men? Was this
the face of the sun, did make beholders
weep? Was this the face that faced so many
petitions, was this the face that made
Boiling?—
And IV. himself sat in the Court
of the Bench in Westminster Hall
in year 1462, when the four law
established here were already
more than two centuries old, in order
he might learn how justice was
done.

On the Hall Henry VII. and his
council their ninth Christmas with
the Mayor and Aldermen of Lon-
don, in the succeeding reign,
Henry received her crown on
Monday, standing on a spread
cloth, and surrounded by bishops
whose blessing of the bride
he took.

Charles I. and Cromwell.

Barons of Naseby and Dunbar
from the roof over the head of
the king. When on January 27th, 1649,
Charles was pronounced by Brad-
shaw.

Years later, under the same
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vost, sitting robed in purple and
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royalty as a golden sceptre.

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The Bill of Attainder was passed,
the fury of the mob frightened Char-
les into ascent, and Strafford's head
fell on Tower Hill, amid the shouts of
a vast multitude and the clash of bells
from every steeple.

Warren Hastings.

It is impossible to enumerate all the
dramas to which Westminster Hall has
provided the stage and setting. Here
Seven Bishops, and here the rebel lords
of 1745 were condemned.

Here the eloquence of Burke and
Sheridan raged over the head of War-
ren Hastings. It is by Macaulay's
grandiose description of his trial that
many Britons best know this hall of
memories in literature.

The grey old walls were hung with
scarlet. The long galleries were crowd-
ed by an audience such as has rarely
excited the fears or the emulation of
an orator. There were gathered to-
gether, from all parts of a great, free,
enlightened, and prosperous empire,
grace and female loveliness, wit and
learning, the representatives of every
science and of every art. There were
seated round the Queen the fair-haired
young daughters of the House of
Brunswick. There the Ambassadors
of great Kings and Commonwealths
gazed with admiration on a spectacle
which no other country in the world
could present. There Sheldons, in the
prime of her majestic beauty, looked
with emotion on a scene surpassing all
the limitations of the stage. There the
historian of the Roman Empire
thought of the days when Cicero plead-
ed the cause of Sicily against Verres,
and when, before a senate, which still
retained some show of freedom, Tac-
tus thundered against the oppressor
of Africa. There were seen, side by
side, the greatest painter and the
greatest scholar of the age. The
spectacle had allured Reynolds from
that case which has preserved to us
the thoughtful forehead of so many
writers and statesmen, and the sweet
smiles of so many noble matrons. It
had induced Parry to suspend his
labours in that dark and profound
mine from which he had extracted a
vast treasure of erudition, a treasure
too often buried in the earth, too often
paraded with indelicate and inelegant
ostentation, but still precious, mas-
sive, and splendid. There appeared
the voluptuous charms of her to whom
the heir of the throne had in secret
pledged his faith. There, too, was
she, the beautiful mother of a beau-
tiful race, the Saint Cecilia, whose
delicate features, lighted up by love
and music, art has rescued from the
common decay. There were the mem-
bers of that brilliant society which
quoted, criticized, and exchanged re-
partees under the rich peacock hang-
ings of Mrs. Montague. And there the
ladies whose lips, more persuasive
than those of Fox himself, had carried
the Westminster election against
palace and treasury throne round
Georgina Duchess of Devonshire.

Trials And Executions.

Since Charles II. was proclaimed at
the gate of Westminster Hall the build-
ing has been the scene of many State
trials. From the earliest days it was
the seat, and then the vestibule, of
justice, and many Londoners of to-day
saw the robed and wigged barristers
walking up and down its floor as late
as the year 1883.

From Westminster Hall Bishop Fish-
er was sent to the block in 1535.

In December, 1661, the Protector
Somerset was brought hither by water
from the Tower of London, whence he
returned only to lose his head. Twenty
years later, Thomas Howard, Duke of
Norfolk was condemned in the same
place.

In Westminster Hall it was that Guy
Fawkes and his fellow-conspirators
were tried, the King being secretly
present, and their execution in Old
Palace Yard followed.

In the King's Bench, at Westminster
Hall, Raleigh received the sentence
that was carried out on the same spot.

Strafford's Last Speech.

The impeachment of Strafford, in
1640, is one of the most memorable
scenes in English history. Thanks to
a print by Hollar, we know the exact
appearance of Westminster Hall dur-
ing the eighteen days of this great
trial. King Charles and his Queen were
present, and the ordered ranks of Peers
and Commons, the positions of the
great Officers of State and of the un-
happy prisoner are shown. In the last
scene Strafford's children stood be-
hind him, and, pointing to them, he
made his last touching plea—

My lords, I have now delayed your
lordships longer than I should else
have done, but for the interest of these
dear pledges, which a departed saint
in heaven has left me. I should be loth.
... (here tears checked his utter-
ance.) What I forfeit for myself, it is
nothing; but I confess, that my indis-
cretion should forfeit for them, it
wounds me very deeply. You will be
pleased to pardon my infirmity. Some-
thing I should have said, but I see I
shall not be able, and therefore I
leave it. And now, my lords, I thank
God that I have been, by His blessing,
sufficiently instructed in the extreme
vanity of all temporary enjoyments
compared to the importance of our
eternal duration. And, so, my lords,
even so with all humility, and with all
tranquillity of mind, I submit, clearly
and freely, to your judgments; and
whether that righteous doom shall be
to life or death, I shall repose myself.

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or strange in the story of the late
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the moving picture, who made mil-
lions for others and nothing for him-
self. The lot of the inventor is hard.
His inventions more often benefit
others than himself, and, if he wins
to fame and fortune, it is usually at
the cost of long years of struggle
against poverty and neglect. Only
the unfailing energy of George Ste-
phenson, the inventor of railways,
conquered the violent and persistent
opposition with which almost every
successive proposal of his was met.
Air Wright, the father of the cotton
industry, was at times so poor as to
be actually in rags. His mill was
destroyed, and his claim to the great-
est of his inventions was success-
fully disputed. Faraday, on whose
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TEMPTATION.

"I am not sure of myself," said he.
As he scoffed at a fallen brother.
"Life never has tried or tested me
In the way of many another,
And I cannot say that I shouldn't sin
And risk my soul a dream to win."

"What do you mean?" I asked of him.
"Oh, I mean just this," he told me:
"In a desperate fight and a battle
grim,
I wonder could honor hold me.
Were my babies crying for food to-day
I think I'd get it for them some way."

"It is easy enough to be straight and
true
When a man has no need to falter.
But things can happen to me and you
Which all of our creeds would alter.
And I can imagine myself so tried
That I should thrust honor and truth
aside."

"So at no man living I'll raise my hand
In anger or hate to strike him,
Till I know the facts and I under-
stand
That I shouldn't be just like him.
How was he tempted and what the
need
Which led the man to commit the deed?"

"I would be honest and always fair,
But sometimes the test is bitter,
And maybe the brother that's fallen
there
For Heaven shall be judged the fitter
By the thing he did for another's sake,
Than we who never such choice must
make."

To make cucumbers an gratin, pare
and boil the cucumbers in salted
water until tender. Slice and arrange
in a casserole, alternating layers of
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cheese. Moisten with cream, cover
with buttered crumbs, and bake.

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