PEN PICTURES OF BRITISH POLITICIANS not be too seriously taken. I have heard a good many of them, I have rarely let a day pass for nearly thirty

MR. GARDINER'S VIVID SKETCHES OF ASQUITH, BALFOUR, compelling purpose will be a heavy drug habit; it may weaken and age CHURCHILL, HARCOURT, MORLEY AND GREY - BRILLIANT handicap. Then it will be seen now and weary and even destroy you far courage and intellectual address, it is very difficult to give it up. CHARACTERIZATIONS.

In his review of Mr. A. G. Gardi- sometimes cold and cheerless. They in the leadership of men." ner's remarkable series of pen pic- lack atmosphere and the humanities. tures, entitled "Prophets, Priests and They have none of our frailties. They Kings," Mr. T. P. O'Connor, M. P., are intellectual sublimities beneath Among the speculations which are ped, then darted in a long curve toward I read these excellent portraits while about to find ourselves dishonorable very interesting figures of the younger

find them now in a more permanent feel that they would be insulted by the will be the leader when they have are always picturesque and striking. by a physique equal to any burden. Harcourt and Winston Churchill in Some passages, indeed, have a certain His capacious intellect grasps a sub- juxtaposition and in contrast. And haunting character, which belongs only ject in all its bearings with an ease who has described the tremendous to good literature. They remain in the and comprehensiveness that never difference between the two personalimemory, and one is glad to return to fail to win the admiration of those ties better than Mr. Gardiner in this and there's a superstition that one rethem, and even to return to them again who approach him. There is little passage: and again. The future chronicler of subtlety in his thought, just as there "When he resigns the perambulator butter. our epoch will find this volume one of is little delicacy in his utterance. It (this is Mr. Gardiner's epitome of his the most useful guides through the is a purely masculine understanding, work as first commissioner of works) mazes of our time, and to our most powerful and direct. He was in other Parliament will discover behind this prominent and our most complex days one of the society of 'Souls'; exterior of polite persifiage one of the

Mr. Gardiner passes from man to is reminiscent, among the curled cav-deeply-considered ends, subtle, adroit, man, so as to explain or present him visions." in some new aspect even to those who have known him and studied him for a length of time. Take, for instance, a I make a big leap from these two interrupted the other laughing, 'is figure so well known as Mr. Balfour; middle-aged and long-known figures known only to Mr. Lewis Harcourt what could be better than this descrip- on the political stage to that youthful and his Maker." Mr. Harcourt smiltion of him in those moments, not rare and abounding creature who has re- ed his inscrutable smile and proceedin his life, and especially since Mr. cently rushed to the forefront—the ed. The thrust glanced off the im-Chamberlain started the tariff reform daring youth whom Mr. H. W. Lucy penetrable corslet. But it expressed

His spirits rise with the combat. The which I find in the pages of Mr. Gard- match that fired it is seen in his hand. and too often the cold goes slowly and worse the case, the more desperate the iner's book: thrusts on every vulnerable point. He hilarating as a gallop across country, atmosphere of the eighteenth century, tion, and still less about the satisfacso accomplished an intellectual gymmast. There is only one rival to him in these days, and I was not surprised told me that Mr. Balfour had great ad-

which deals with that still unsolved curious suggestion of apprehension politics great. It is the absence of present without any accompanying ca- years will be amenable to treatment, enigma—one of the most insoluble of and disquietude which Winston that quality which makes the politics tarrh. Lately, however, a distinct and even the physician will at last be our time: What will be Mr. Balfour's always gives—it may be because one of today so mean. There is no one step seems to have been gained, and able to heal himself. "He retains the titular leadership; career of his brilliant and ill-fated great organ save Lord Morley, and he but the army has passed him by. It father: has gone over-horse, foot and artil- "Has he staying power? Can one | . . You will eatch that thrilling note

vent of Henry Bolingbroke."

III.

Mr. Balfour naturally suggests that succeeded to the place from which he gentleman of fortune." He is out for I must note. It will exhaust my space, has been expelled—Mr. Asquith. It is adventure. He follows politics as he though by no means all the passages I high testimony to the impartiality and would follow the hounds. He has no had marked as worthy of quotation. geniality of these portraits that, though animus against the fox; but he wants There is only one man in the ministry they come from the pen of the editor to be in 'at the kill.' It is recorded today who might have been supposed conspicuous for lax or flexible views— row, he was asked what profession he Mr. Asquith the succession to the the writer is as just to political foes as thought of taking up, he replied, premiership when Compbell-Bannerto political friends. If anything, the The army, of course, so long as man died—that was Sir Edward Grey. sketch of Mr. Asquith is less sym-there's any fighting to be had. When Yet there is no figure today who, pathetic than that of Mr. Balfour, that's over, I shall have a shot at holding a lofty and powerful position, though nobody can doubt which of the politics." He is still the Harrow boy, seems to value it so lightly. Grave,

conviction; but he does not inspire of the fight and having a good time. and unknown phantom to most of the men with great passions. His eloquence With the facility of the Churchill mind members of the present House of keeps to the solid earth; it does not fly he feels the pulse of Liberalism with Commons. Is his heart in the place with wings. It assures you victory; but astonishing sureness, and interprets in which his earthly form is so rarely seen? One would think not, for this It has produced the finest mental ma- has run its course, it may be that this

a mind acutely responsive to noble impulses, and a quick and apprehensive political instinct, will carry him

but-Que diable-? One would as two ablest executive brains in poli- to right? soon look for Cromwell, of whom in ties, a capacious mind moving with-

man lightly, briefly, trusting to a short, aliers as for him in a dilettante circle. resourceful-omnia capax imperii; incisive and graphic impression rather. That was the natural element of Mr. but most capable of all in ruling men than to prolonged analysis, with the re- Balfour, who was fitted for the role whom he knows through and through, sult that there are no fewer than forty of Mr. Bunthorne. But there is noth- while he himself remains always portraits within the narrow space of ing 'precious' or transcendental in Mr. something of a mystery. For he has less than 350, pages. All I can do Asquith's equipment. He is precise none of the self-revelation of Mr. is to dip here and there into such a as a time-table. His vocabulary is Churchill, who throws all his cards volume, and extract the passages abundant, but it consists wholly of on the table with the careless frankwhich have struck me most, and which plain, serviceable words, without a ness of Fox, and turns out his mind seem best to describe the man to whom touch of emotion or imagination, and with the joy of a boy turning out his they refer. Very often it will be found his vocabulary truly reflects his men- pockets. Mr. Harcourt has his batthat even an extract so brief throws a tal outlook. He is the constructive talions masked. What I really light on the whole inner life of the engineer in politics, not the seer of think, he says. 'What you really NEW TREATMENT SAID TO PROM-

Harcourt. 'What you really think,' IV. leaguered by a whole host of open of the ministry-Mr. Winston Church- masterful figure, that sits so tight in enemies and very doubting friends? To ill. I have often tried to describe my- the saddle, wears ever an unruffled self that extraordinary being, but I front, turns aside the smashing blow "On the platform he is dull and un- confess that I never even approached with a jest, seems never hurried, rible cold, thanks, and I can't get rid inspiring, for he has no message for anything like this passage as an never worried, pursues his purpose his time; but on the floor of the House analysis and a description of his with such stillness that he is forgothe is the incomparable swordsman, strange and disturbing personality ten—until the mine explodes and the and in all classes. We all catch cold,

think!' you reply.

"'What I really think,' said Mr.

attack, the more formidable he be- "He is extraordinarily youthful even Mr. Winston Churchill; Mr. Harcourt to go about with an acutely infectious comes. The air of slack nervelessness for his years. He has the curiosity advances in the shadow, unobtrusively, disease which, while it may be a vanishes. Every faculty awakes to and animation of a child-a child in unnoted, except by the few. Watching cause of no more than temporary inastonishing activity. He twists and fairyland, a child consumed with the casually, and he seems but a spectator convenience to ourselves, is capable turns with diabolical elusiveness. A thirst for life. He must know all, of the game, amused and interested, of the direct consequences to the dozen swords are at his throat, and, taste all, devour all. He is drunk but never caught in its central swirl feeble or the aged. Still more singulo! he is under the enemy's guard and with the wonder and the fascination -a man after Mr. George Russell's larly, there has in the past been little through them, dealing venomous of living. A talk with him is as ex- own heart, carrying with him the known with certainty about the causaclouds the issue with the dust of his so full is it of adventure and of the full of worldly, ironic wisdom, rich in tory treatment, of these obstinate and

when the Bishop of Southwark one day is naturally succeeded by another note oratory of Lord Morley: to everybody who studies Winston public life the quality it most needs jectural views have been held as to pears spontaneously in a few days will Churchill and who speculates on his and most lacks—the quality of a lofty their casual relation to the cold they probably still be left to its own defuture. I quote the following passage and instructed moral fervor. It was accompanied, the greatest difficulty vices, but the cold which is ever pres-Even more striking is this passage as an excellent expression of that that quality which made Victorian being that the organisms are so often ent with the sufferer for months and is haunted by the meteoric and tragic left who can use the stops of the the profession is now in possession of

lery-to a new idea. It openly scoffs at who has devoured life with such fev- in the oratory of Lord Morley at all It distrusts his lukewarm sur- erish haste retain his zest to the end times, for he touches politics with a render. Its most powerful voices in the of the feast? How will forty find certain spiritual emotion that makes press have called repeatedly for his him?—that fatal forty when the youth it less a business or a game than a deposition. He is without a policy, of roselight and romance has faded religion. He lifts it out of the street without a following, without a pur- into the light of common day and the on to the high lands where the view pose. He has nothing but for a crown horizon of life has shrunk incalcul- is wide and the air pure, and where It is the crown of Richard the Sec- ably, and when the flagging spirit no the voices heard are the voices that ond. His party only await the ad-longer answers to the spur of external do not bewilder or betray. He is the things, but must find its motive and conscience of the political world—the energy from within, or find them not barometer of our corporate soul."

lat all. "That is the question that gives us other and very different figure which is pause. For, with all his rare qualinow constantly opposed to him and has ties, Mr. Churchill is the type of "the the Daily News — not an organ that when, a flery-headed boy at Har- to have had the right to contest with two attracts Mr. Gardiner the more as having his 'shot at politics'-not so a politician. Here is Mr. Gardiner on much concerned about who the enemy rarely seen on the floor of the House may be or about the merits of the or in its smokerooms or dining-rooms, "He creates confidence and carries quarrel as about being in the thick Sir Edward Grey is almost a flitting

It defines you adventure. It is a favor the sense of high purpose is not yet apis how he discourses in the pages of the patient is suffering. While not thoughts spring from the heart.' Mr. parent through the fierce joy of battle Mr. Gardiner about the futilities of ponot utter great that possesses him. The passion for litical life and conflicts and ambitions. thoughts. No Balliol man of the Jow- humanity, the stern resolve to see ett tradition does. The Balliol man dis- justice done though the heavens fall that we shall spend with old friends trusts 'great thoughts,' even if it and he be buried in the ruins, the zealous persons with good eye is less on the fixed stars than on

thinks them. It believes they come surrender of himself to the cause—side the library, and, of course, a weak minds and soft hearts, these things have yet to come. His suitable river—not flowing too fast, emotions, but defective intellects. Bal- the wayward meteors of the night. slow, which is a worse fault. That lioi, in fact, is really atrophy of the And when the exhilaration of youth is will be the happiest time of all. I, in heart. It is exhaustion of the emotions. gone, and the gallop of high spirits those days, shall have no thought of politics except to read the report of chines of this generation; but they are deficiency of abiding and highthe brilliant speeches which Mr. Churchill will still be making in the House of Commons. Just think, those of you who are engaged in political occupations, what our libraries are now compared with what they will be when we get old-the quantities of clippings; the drawers full of opponents' speeches kept in the hope of an inconvenient moment; pamphlets blue books and Hansards by the ton. I think of the splendid time I shall

mulch my roses with the ashes!"

But these sighs and wails of poli-

rarely let a day pass for nearly thirty years of Parliamentary life without uttering them. But politics is like the handicap. Then it will be seen how and weary and even destroy you, but

> SUN WORSHIPPERS ON THE GRIDIRON.

whose huge legs we creep, 'peeping always forced on the observer of the the right. He was soon downed. "The other side knew he would turn they were passing through the pages graves.' We admire them, we respect men now on the treasury bench is from left to right," said a veteran. "We of the Daily News, and I am glad to them. We do not love them; for we which of these young men of today all turn from left to right. To turn from right to left seems wrong, seems like reshape. There have been few more bril- offer of so irrational a thing as love. reached middle or old age, and when right, we turn a screw so, and so we versing. We wind a watch from left to the masters of today have quitted the write and so we read. "It all comes down to us from prehis-

descriptions often are eloquent, and for the strength of his mind is backed tions one instinctively places Lewis foric times, from the sun worshippers. The sun moves from left to right, and it's worshippers believed that all human actions must proceed accordingly. Well, they still do so.

> verse turn of the handle will spoil the "Cooks stir batter from left to right. A reversal, they say, would make the batter coarse and heavy "Shut your eyes and turn thrice. Don't

you naturally, instinctively turn from left "Whalers put back again if the ship's feature and in some other respects he out haste and without deviation to first movement at the beginning of the voyage is not from left to right. "In a subconscious way, you see, sun worship is still the religion of man."-New Orleans Times.

Vaccination Against Colds

ISE GREAT RESULTS.

The Type of Cold Conditioned by the Variety of the Microbe.

an equally distinguished physician, whose condition was aptly described in of it." So it is all the world over The lightnings play about the path of returns soon. Few regard it as wrong This is very vivid and very true. It Here is a thumbnail sketch of the number in almost any healthy throat; epidemics which periodically sweep the main varieties have been identified over our cities will be cut off. The conclusive data which establish the in these days uses them too rarely. causal relationship of the organism to the cold, and further show that the type of cold is conditioned by the variety of the microbe, so that the nature of the infection may often be predicted with some confidence from THE RECORD OR LORD MALMESthe features of the ailment.

It is interesting to trace the rela-

tion between the knowledge of the pathology and the treatment of a disease in so concrete an instance. In these days knowledge is almost the immediate forerunner of power in the sides being one of the best shots of fight with illness of all sorts, and it his day was without question the most would seem as though bacteriology is painstaking and careful chronicler of There is just one other figure of Mr. on the point of adding to diphtheria, his sport who ever fired a gun, says Gardiner's big picture gallery which anthrax, and possibly tuberculosis-to the London Spectator. For forty seaquote three names of terror in her list sons, ending with the year 1840, he of triumphs-that neglected scourge kept a record of every cartridge he which has probably as long a list of fired and the result of the shot - a victims as any, the common cold feat which may have a parallel, but is Without entering into the speculations hardly likely to be beaten. He fired on the nature of the processes by in all 54,987 shots and accounted for which it is effected, it may be laid 38,454 head of game with them, bedown with certainty that the victory of the body over an infective disease his figures, they were the birds he is due to the elaboration of increased killed when he hit more than one with powers of resistance to the poisons the same shot. As for walking, there formed and of destruction of the bodies never was such an untiring pursuer of of the invading organisms, and it has every bird and beast that could be enbeen shown that this capacity may be tered in a game book. He calculated hastened and made stronger during the actual course of the disease in many cases. Strange as it may seem, this may be brought about by the administration of the dead bodies of the very organisms from whose invasion corresponding entirely in method to He was never in bed for a day, and not Jennerian vaccination, this procedure 30 days confined to the house by accirests on absolutely the same prin-dent or illness—though to be sure his ciples, and the term "vaccination" has violent exercise affected his heart and been transferred to the process. By he died at 64. the injection of many million corpses | The lists of his hits and misses ar of the micro-organism the patient is particularly interesting when you cominduced, as it were, to the manufac- pare his records of shots at birds like ture of a large and often more or less snipe and woodcock, which were as permanent stock of material for the difficult to hit in his day as they are resistance of the attacks of this par- in ours, with the kind of figures which ticular enemy. He becomes increased- would be likely or possible with modly resistant to the disease if he have ern guns. In the season 1819-20, for it, and immune to its attacks for a instance, Lord Malmesbury fired 83 period which may be prolonged. The shots at woodcock and bagged 45, and administration of the dead bodies has out of 411 shots at snipe he actually had the same effect on resisting power got 216, which is somewhat better as an attack successfully repelled, but than one out of two. Any snipe shot without producing the disease; in today would be pleased with a record Jennerian vaccination the same effect being able to produce a quotation at is obtained by the communication of tne disease itself in what is an exand magazines by the hundredweight: tremely attenuated and harmless form. so that at the expense of a small disturbance the body is persuaded to elahave making a bonfire of them all, borate a prolonged and indeed to some How I will stir the fire, and how I will degree permanent addition to its natural powers of resistance to smallpox.

BOY'S STRUGGLE FOR LIFE TWICE DELIVERED FROM DEATH

Mr. S. J. New of 154 Baldwin St., Toronto, says: "I can trace my son Harold's trouble to when he had the measles five years ago, from which he never really recovered. Some of the best physicians attended him, but with months of suffering he in turn contracted whooping cough, bronchitis, and then pneumonia."

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lialectics, and with a sudden flank high spirits and eagerness of youth. stories of men and events, too fond easily acquired catarrhs of the upper to elaborate a vaccine treatment for twistier snipe of late autumn and win- were shooting give you the idea that movement changes the whole face of No matter what the subject, soldier- of pulling the mechanism of the respiratory passages, though they their prevention and relief. The re- ter with the home-bred snipe killed in they enjoyed the shooting more. the battle. His one weapon of defence ing or science, religion or literature, watch to pieces ever to become a form one of the most frequent and in-sults so far chronicled give ground for August and September. You read these is to attack. If he cannot meet the he plunges into it with the joy of a wheel in its works. That is the su-capacitating ailments of civilized ex-hope that we are on the threshold of a records, and those of men like John enemy on the ground they have chosen boy taking a "header" in the sea, And perficial view of Mr. Harcourt. Be- istence. Speaking broadly, there is the vast advance in the average health of Mytton, who would make a point of he wheels round to a new position, to the insatiable curiosity and the en- hind this easy, imperturbable exterior cold that goes and the cold that stays the community, and particularly of invariably killing 50 brace of partand before they realize that he has thusiasm of the child he joins the you find one of the most subtle, most for a more or less prolonged period, that section of it which suffers most ridges to his own gun on the first day escaped they are defending themselves frankness of the child. He has no far-seeing, most unswerving influ- and it is especially with the cold that frequently and severely from colds. If of the season, and wonder how with In the rear. There was truth as well reserves and no shams. He takes you, ences in politics. It was the in- refuses to go that the medical pro- those unfortunates among us who fall their slow-firing guns and their bad as vanity in his complaint that 'the as it were, by the arm on the instant, trigues of young Harcourt that upset fession has so often shown its cominto this class can be made immune shot patterns they managed to kill thing, if it be only a potato. House of Commons did not extend his and makes you free of all the domain my apple cart,' Lord Rosebery is re- parative helplessness to deal. During to the inreads of "cold-organisms," as even one bird in four. "A gun never the progress of a cold the nose and seems likely, not only will the lives of shoots twice alike," Colonel Hawker throat swarm with microsorganisms, these units be greatly relieved, but wrote, and he shot with the best guns some of which may be found in less the chief source of the spread of the he could buy. How did they manage

OLD-FASHIONED

SHOOTING FEATS

BURY AND SLOW-FIRING

The second Lord Malmesbury be-

sides some 480 which he did not add to

that he was out for four hours a day

for 90 days in the year, which made

14,480 hours' walking in 40 years, and

and a half miles an hour he remarks

that in all he must have covered 36,-

200 miles, "very nearly once and a

half the circumference of the globe."

-a note of disquietude, which occurs "He breathes into the atmosphere of for some time, and more or less conpurely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality it most peed into the atmosphere of purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality is the purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality is the purely occasional cold which disapprent of the quality is the quality occasional cold which disapprent of the quality occasional cold which disapprent of the quality occasional cold which disapprent occ shoot as well as we do, and somehow Venice in 1234.

to something to turn up, instead of going to work and turning up some

a keeper with they did contrive to Sea on the ice from the mainland to

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> So the first glance told me there was no duty patent in the world like daring to be good and true myself, leaving the show of things to the Lord of Show.-Robert Browning. Loaded wagons crossed the Adriatic

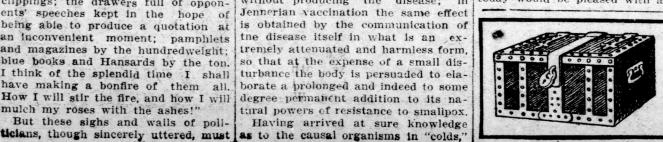


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