

HORSE SHOWS IN CANADA AND ELSEWHERE.

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IT is related that the last member of the English House of Commons to wear breeches and top boots in Parliament was a Mr. Patterson, member for the city of London, described by an old

neath was the inscription, *Multum in parvo*—"Patterson in smalls." Those were the days when railways were new and riding or coaching was still the customary method of travelling long and



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writer as a "Dear fat, God-fearing old Radical, not one of your foaming democrats of to-day." *Punch* immortalized him in the forties by a clever sketch, showing him in the breeches, and under-

short distances. The horse was a necessity of every-day life, and so great was his influence that everyone wore horsey apparel, and early in the present century the acme of exquisiteness with a