



SO MUCH ALIKE.

SIR JOHN—What are you going to give 'em at your table this time?
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So Much Alike.

Speaking of the "ridiculously close resemblance" between DIZZY and JOHN A., it has been often remarked that this extends beyond mere outward appearance. This issue of GRIP contains an illustration of this fact. Both premiers are at present in the act of meeting Parliament; both are about to submit rather meagre bills of fare, and both have reason to apprehend that the greater part of the session will be occupied in defending their Governments from merited attack.

The Presidential Race.

In deference to a wish expressed by some of his patrons across the line, Mr. GRIP intends in the future to give American politics the benefit of his clarifying pencil occasionally. This week he epitomizes the presidential contest, which appears to be taking the shape of a three-legged race. The Republican couple are GRANT and BLAIN and the Democracy is represented by TILDEN and SEYMOUR. At this stage of the proceedings it is impossible to say what the result will be, though it seems tolerably certain that some of them will fail to be elected. GRANT appears to be the favourite. He has a great reputation as a soldier, and has taken many a fortress. In fact it is said he will take any thing the office seekers give him. He is also heavy on cigars, so the contest so far as he is concerned is sure to end in smoke. TILDEN is the leading Democratic candidate. He feels so anxious to serve his country that he has made great personal sacrifices to gain the presidency. Not only has he spent barrels of money, but he has made up his mind to get married. It will be too cruel if the ungrateful public leave him at home with a weight of domestic care on his shoulders in addition to the natural disappointment he will feel.

Strange Effect of Joy.

The Halifax correspondent of the *Globe* asserted on the 2nd inst. that on the very day of the arrival of the Princess her husband was taken to the lunatic asylum! It would have been much more seemly to take the Halifaxians there, who turned out to gape at a lady on an exceedingly cold day.

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