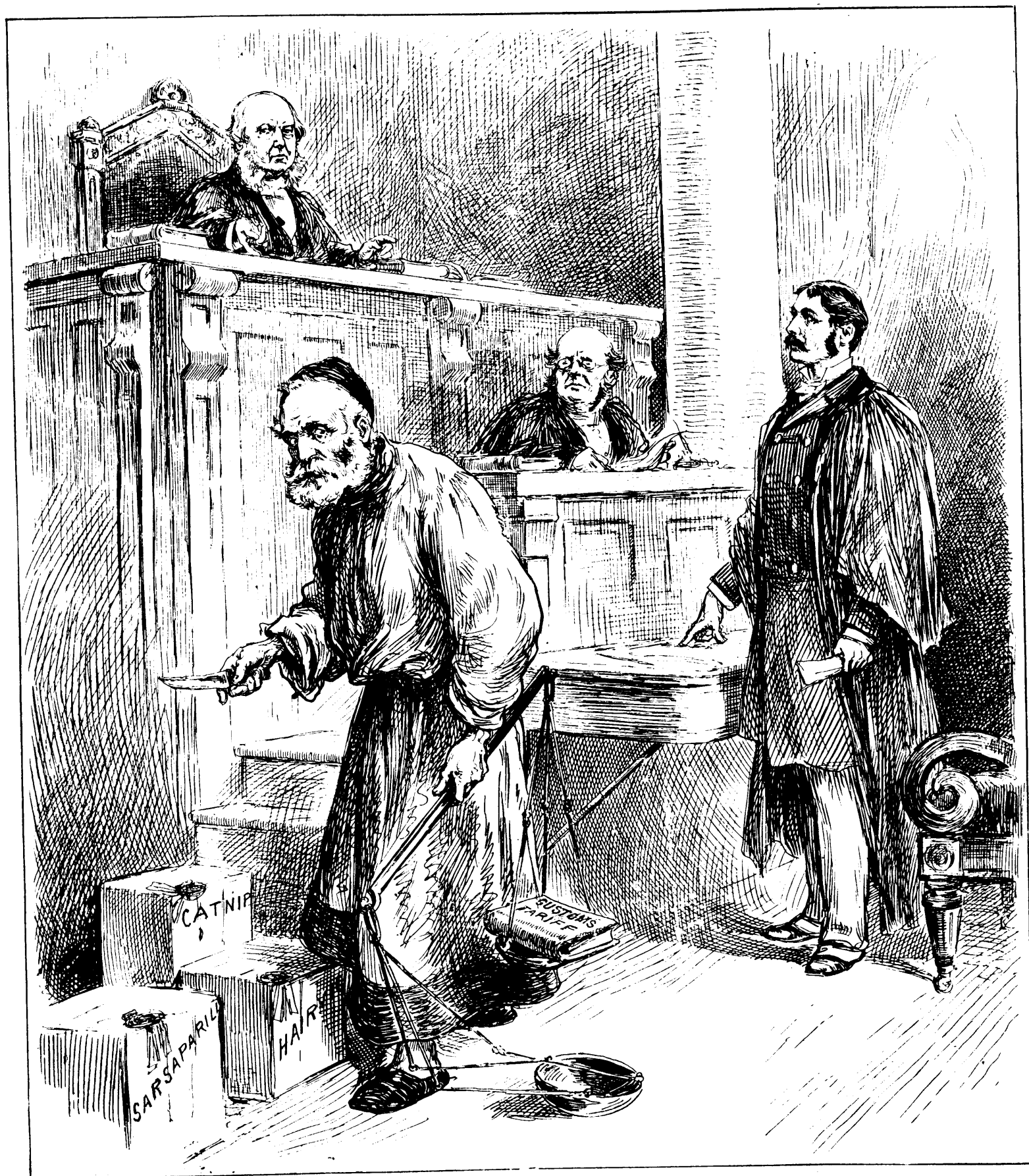




The AYER "*Cause Célèbre*" and our CUSTOMS "SHYLOCK."

THE JUDGMENT.

THE DUKE (CHIEF J. SIR W. R.):

"That thou shalt see the difference of our spirit,
I do dismiss thy cases with full costs!
The Sarsaparilla is Antonio's;
The boodle lost to all thy myrmidons!
The law thou must more liberally construe,
Favouring the IMPORTER, rather than the STATE!!"

(*The Merchant of Venice*, slightly altered.)