

# I Dine With The Speaker.

Experiences of a Well-Known M. P. It is a good many years now, said a well-known M.P. to the writer, since I first had the honour and pleasure of dining with the Speaker; but I can recall it as vividly as if it were yesterday. It was in Mr. Sneaker Peel's time, when I was a very young Parliamentary fledgling; and I can still feel the awe with which I looked forward to what I feared would be an ordeal. As a matter of delightful experiences of my life.

#### Seven Full-Dress Dinners.

As you possibly know, the Speake gives no fewer than seven full-dress Parliamentary dinners in the course of a Session, in addition to two levees. To the first dinner all mem bers of the Government sitting in the Commons are bidden. At the second the leading members of the Opposition are present-those who had places in the Government; while at the third banquet Privy Councillors and members of former Ministries not hitherto included are among the

Then foll for the "rank and file"; and, finally. the Speaker entertains the officials of

#### Newark Man's Collapse Caused by Dizziness, Biliousness and Pains in the Back. DROPPED IN THE STREET.

Warm weather and acute indigestion were the chief causes of a physical collapse that overcame Mr. J. V. Donaghue near the entrance of the what appealed to me still more was Pennsylvania railroad depot last Thursday. A policeman lifted him into a cab and he was hurried to his home. In an interview next day, Mr. Donaghue stated: "I was practically ly on me, close by, Sir Harbottle unconscious when I arrived home. I Grimston, of Stuart times, seemed to knew I was in bad shape, because for weeks I had been fighting against pains in my back as severe as if I had been shot at. Indigestion and biliousness were the cause of my collapse, and no doubt had been keeping up the headache and dizziness from which 1 suffered. Fortunately, my wife knew just what I needed. She gave me ing on canvas and shedding the lusthree of Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Man- tre of their dignified presence on our drake and Butternut and put me to bed. In the morning I was as fresh as a daisy, my system was cleared of its load of poisonous waste and I felt like a new man. From now on in order to keep my system properly regulated, I will use Dr. Hamilton's Pills regularly. I know many who do so and they never have a day's illness."

Why not be healthy, hearty and well. You owe it to yourself, to your family, to your friends. You cannot work properly; you cannot be happy yourself, if you are tortured by indigestion, and all the nagging pains and unpleasantness which accompany it-if you are weakened by anaemiaif your blood is being poisoned and

your system upset by constipation. If you are suffering from any of these derangements of the systemeither temporary or chronic- you should go at once to the nearest lent a zest to appetite and made the chemist and ask him for a box of Dr. Hamilton's Pills. This perfect tonic laxative will cure your indigestion; purify and enrich your blood; banish constipation by safe and natural means; improve your appetite; quiet your nerves, and help you to sleep soundly. Dr. Hamilton's Pills will give you strength and vigour. They will help you to work better, 25c. per box, or five boxes for \$1.00, at all dealers, or The Catarrhozone Com- MINARD'S LINIMENT RELIEVES pany, Kingston, Ont.

At all these dinners the guests ar near in levee dress-the Privy Coun cillors in their dark blue uniforms, with elaborate trimming of gold lace and acorn-leaves: members of His Majesty's Household are glorious in Court uniform, with red collars and cuffs; while the dignified host receives his guests in a black velvet Court suit, with lace ruffles round neck and wrists, knee-breeches, with stockings and steel-handled

#### In Court Uniform.

perience of this stately function. When, in due course, I received my invitation to dine with the Speaker I confess I would have given a good fact, it proved to be one of the most deal to escape the honour. To be-Court dress as a barn-door fowl with young members, not a little in awe of. the grave and stern gentleman who occupied the Speaker's chair.

But there was no escape; for the Speaker's invitation, like the King's, is a command which must be obeyed death-like returning a trump-lead, the revenue. you know-so I screwed up my courage to the ordeal, arrayed myself in the splendour (to me) of Court uniform, and duly presented myself among my fellow-guests, two or three H., aged 108 years. He joined the mation supplied the department reof whom, I was glad to find, were personal friends.

When, after what seemed an eternity of waiting, we had each received a cordial hand-shake and a genial welcome from the Speaker, who, in his new character, seemed a most amiable and kindly sort of personage, we were ushered into the state dining room, which is one of the most magnificent apartments in the Palace of

Westminister. My breath was quite taken away by the splendour of this banquetingchamber, with its noble proportions, its graceful architecture, its rich carving, and profuse gilding. But the stately array of portraits of past Speakers which environed us. Just opposite my seat the haughty Edward Seymour looked down condescendingwink an encouraging eye at me.

Over the mantelpiece Mr. Shaw-Lefevre loomed large as life. Next to him, Henry Brand seemed to stand out of the canvas as if about to join us; and so on around the walls, one after another, the dead Speakers of the Commons, all living and breathbanquet.

The Chaplain had long said grace before I was able to take my eyes from these pictured giants of past Parliaments and was able to turn my attention to the choice dishes and wines placed before me.

Of course, the meal was perfectsuperb. The table glittered and glowed under its burden of magnificent plate, exquisite glass, and garden of flowers; and a delightful geniality and informality emanating from our host put us all in the happiest

There were no speeches; politicswe never mentioned them. There was just one toast, "The Queen," proposed by the Speaker without remark; and, for the rest, there were chatter and laughter, and free and easy flow of conversation and merriment which banquet one long feast of pleasure. When at last the Chaplain rose to return thanks I could have vowed the meal had not lasted twenty minutes.

had sat down to it.-Tit-Bits. A Chinaman was recently bound hand and foot and robbed in broad daylight in Cobalt, Ont.

It was actually two hours since we

NEURALGIA.

#### Snapshots

Around the World.

(By the Man in the Moon.) 

Germany has a fleet of 14 dirigible

Over 100 Indians at Great Slave Lake, Canada, have died of starvation.

It is said that eight thousand farm hands are wanted in Western Can-

King Edward rules over 343,000,000 of people. Of these 249,000,000 are in

The British Government has a war loan of \$105,000,000 to be refunded i the first week in April.

Forty per cent of the children in Protestant schools in Montreal, it is asserted, belong to the Jewish race.

Hamburg is said to be sixty miles from the sea. Yet it is declared to be the greatest seaport of continental

Mr. John Redmond has appealed to

rishmen in London for funds, anticipating an early dissolution and gen-A bottle thrown from Peary's ship, the Roosevelt, off Greenland in Sept.

Ireland recently. A strike of 200,000 Welsh miners is auticipated for April 1st. We suppose the selection of April first has no real significance, but-

1909, was picked up off the coast of

Mr. R. J. Fleming, Manager of the Toronto Street Railway, receives a salary of \$20,000 a year. It is said that the city is at his mercy.

Two of the "America's" Cup defenders were recently sold in New gin with I was as unfamiliar with York. They will be used as fishing boats, and were known in the Inter peacock's feathers, and I was, like national Races as the Vigilant and

Prince Edward's Island estimated revenue for 1910 is \$369,000, and the expenditure is put down at \$379,000. For education the Government will except in case of illness or sudden spend \$133,230-more than a third of

> James Bellows Macgregor, believed Order at Salisbury, N. H., in 1826, and garding the foreign ships that visited was therefore eighty-four years within its ranks.

vana on the 18th March.

ago, on the morning of March 19th, of the crown of some hats now in shoot any person who followed them the near future. from the car.

set their hearts upon it. It is a the earth." While we admit what the good Bishop says is quite true; yet we would not object to a little more if it came our way.

A young girl was knocked down by m3,5,8,11,15,17,18,21,24,26,29,30,31

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horse in Toronto recently and the sight of one eve was destroyed. The father of the girl sued the firm who owned the horse for \$3,000, and the jury awarded the girl \$1,500. The father was given \$75 in addition for expenses to which he was put.

The Cuban sugar crop is expected o fall short of the estimates made earlier in the year. The total crop will likely only reach 1,600,000 tons, whereas it was expected to total 1,-800 000 Excessive droughts and the effects of a cyclone in October last is the cause of the decrease.

The Rough Riders, of whom ex-President Roosevelt was in command during the Spanish American War, Gas and Eructate sour, undigested is going to New York to welcome their from his South African sporting trip. taste in mouth and stomach headache It is said four hundred will take part the reception, and will wear their war outfits and parade on horseback.

Northern Alberta has thirty townships comprising seven hundred thousand acres ready for occupancy. which are to be thrown open for homesteading on March 27th. There is no better land in the West, the prairie counties being well supplied with water, coal and wood; but at the present time access to the coun-

The United States Navy Department has decided that the battleships of that country will be closed books so far as foreigners are concerned. to be the oldest Free Mason in the This step has been decided upon world, recently died at Newport, N. owing to the large amount of inforthe Hudson-Fulton Celebration last

A floating mass, comprising thirty | It is now a misdemeanour for a woacres of dead fish, and thought to be | man to wear long hat pins in Chicago a shoal, was reported by wireless in public places. Any woman caught telegraphy to his agents in New York | wearing one longer than that allowed by Capt. Johnson of the Ward liner by the City Council bye-law is liable Morrow Castle, which sailed for Ha- to arrest and a fine of \$50. The exposed point of the pin shall not protrude a half inch beyond the crown Three armed men boarded a Fulton of the hat in or through which such street car at Ashland Avenue, Chic- pin is worn. Judging by the breadth and robbed the conductor and pas- vogue, despite the bye-laws of the sengers. When alighting from the Chicago City Council, there is going car, the highwaymen threatened to to be a shortage of iron or steel in

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Easter Concert a Great Success.

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Get some now, this minute, and for- tawa three years ago. ever rid yourself of Stomach Trouble

#### Lecture at Placentia.

Mr. H. W. LeMessurier gave a lec-

ture on "Placentia Bay" at the Star Hall, Placentia, last Monday night for the Star of the Sea Association and their friends. The hall was filled to its utmost capacity. Amongst the audience were Messrs. Devereaux. Howley and Morris, who had gone to the Ancient Capital to be present at the launching of the new gasolene introduced by Mr. O'Reilly, President of the Star of the Sea Association spoke for over an hour on the old days in Placentia Bay. The lecture Whiteway. was relieved by some very amusing anecdotes in connection with the old settlers of the bay. At the conclusion a vote of thanks proposed by Mr. J. Collins was carried by acclamation. The people highly appreciate Mr. Le-Messurier's kindness in going there to give them such a literary and historical treat.

#### Ryan Won the Billiard Match.

A large number of young men interested in the game assembled at St. Patrick's Hall last night to see the match between Ryan and Power for the championship. The game began at 8 o'clock, the contest being watched with keen interest till the finish, when Power's score reached 446 against Ryan's 600. Ryan's breaks were 24, 29, 10, 24, 10, 10, 54, 19, 23, 24, 19, 41, 11, 13, 24 and 37. Power's were 16, 34, 14, 18, 22, 17, 22, 23, 27, 22, 14, 14, 11, 10, 27 and 12. The largest break (54) was made by Ryan.

THE PANSY THEATRE. - The Pansy Theatre, at the Mechanics Hall, is becoming a very popular resort, and yesterday afternoon and night was largely attended. Mr. Murphy the soloist, was heard to great advantage; the pictures are excellent, and all present yesterday were delighted with the entertainment.

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#### **Government Will Send Sixty Councillors Expedition Into the** Far North.

Captain Sam Bartlett Will Head Search Party Seeking George Cald-

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J. L. MATHIEU.

Ottawa, Ont., March 18.-The Government has decided that the mystery surrounding the fate of Geo. Caldwell. of Ottawa, should be cleared up, and accordingly a contract has been entered into with Captain Sam. Bartlett, one of the most skilful of Newfoundland's sailing captains, a man associated with Arctic expeditions for a quarter of a century, to undertake the task of conducting a systematic

search for the party. It is now two years since word has been received of Caldwell, who started upon an expedition into the Far North, accompanied by two Eskimos,

The last tidings heard of him were communicated to the Government by the North West Mounted Police, who reported that information had been received from a trading Eskimo that you eat; besides it makes you go to Mr. Caldwell and his companions

ines are clean and fresh, and you into the Arctic regions was for a will not need to resort to laxatives or long time something of a mystery, liver pills for Biliousness or Constipa- but it has developed recently, that although his expedition was accredit-This city will have many Diapepsin ed by the Department of Marine, his cranks, as some people will call them. real object was to locate very rich but you will be cranky about this gold deposits, the existence of which splendid stomach preparation, too, if had been communicated to him by an you ever try a little for Indigestion or Eskimo, who gave him samples of ore Gastritis or any other Stomach misery. which the aborigine brought to Ot-

Captain Bartlett will proceed northnext, in a schooner which he owns. The intention is that he shall proceed to the head of Chesterfield Inlet, as far as his vessel may be able to navigate, and from thence by steam launch or canoe, continue north and west on the route supposed to have been taken by Caldwell.

The latter's relatives in Ottawa long ago gave up hope that he survived

the trip. LEFT HOSPITAL .- Mr. Geo. Rum-

# Involved in the Pittsburg Graft.

Pittsburg, March 24.-The serial story of councilmanic graft promises another sensational chapter to-daythe presentation to the grand jury of Joseph C. Wasson's confession. Wasson is a farmer councilman who began five days ago an eighteen months sentence for bribe taking and who, envicusly regarding the immunity baths which have been given to others, decided last night to follow the lead of Capt. Klein and tell the District Attorney all he knew.

The instalments of the graft story have been so spasmodic that a synopsis is here presented for those who missed the first chapters. Klein's display of \$30,000 in bills on the street, June 26, 1908, excited the suspicion of Ernest F. Rey, a harness the city auditor, the latter told Mayor Guthrie, and he passed it on to the Voters' League, to whom the citizens of Pittsburg are indebted for the prosecution that was set in motion.

A detective's bribery of councilmen in connection with a fictitious wood paving plan started the ball rolling. This led into the bank depository conspiracy and other forms of graft. The law ground slowly and is still grinding, with the following net result: In penitentiary, W. W. Ram-

say, former president of the German National Bank; William Brand, former president of the Common Councils; Joseph C. Wasson, former counçilman, and H. M. Bolder; under sentence to the penitentiary, former Councilman John F. Klein; awaiting ward to Hudson Bay early in June | disposition of their cases, E. H. Jennings, president of the Columbia National Bank, and F. A. Griffen, cashier, who pleaded nolo contendere; under indictment, forty-one councilmen; confessors of bribe sharing, twenty councilmen, former and present. select and common: more confessors awaiting turn, ten former and present councilmen; bribes from \$5,-000 down to the bargain rate of \$81.10.

WANTED ANOTHER HALF DAY-Many of the clerks in the city yessen, of Carbonear, yesterday left the terday discussed the possibility of the ferry boat. Mr. LeMessurier, who was Hospital where he had been for some Importers' Association observing totime past. He is still very weak and day as a half holiday. The season is yesterday went home, being looked af- not yet a busy one and it was thought ter at the railway station by Mr. Jesse the half day would be given, but the schedule was strictly adhered to.



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