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OF

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT,

FROM THE

Earliest Periods to the Present Time.

WITH

NOTICES OF EMINENT PARLIAMENTARY MEN,
AND EXAMPLES OF THEIR ORATORY.

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P R E F A C E.

THE scantiness of available information on the subject of the British Parliament, its history and its leading men, is a surprising fact, in days when historical writing may be said to superabound. Much information was to be found, no doubt, in bulky volumes, or scattered through the material of extensive libraries; but there was nothing for the general reader at once comprehensive and readily accessible. An attempt was made, years back, by two fellow-workers on the Press who had experienced the want, to supply it, by bringing together, for the first time and in anecdotal form, "some of the more striking facts in the history of our Parliaments, and the public lives of distinguished statesmen."* Their work met with a favourable reception, and a cordial appreciation of its purport, not only in this country, but abroad. One correspondent—a member of the legal profession in Italy—expressed himself warmly in praise of the book, which he was desirous of translating into his own tongue, as showing compendiously the history of constitutional liberty in the nation which has striven most successfully for its promotion, and

* "A Book of Parliamentary Anecdote," by G. H. Jennings and W. S. Johnstone, 1872. The writer takes this opportunity of expressing his satisfaction that in his earlier labours he was aided by the co-operation of his valued friend (now deceased), Mr. William Steven Johnstone. That gentleman, although prevented by weak health and arduous engagements from continuing the work, kindly placed at the disposal of his colleague his own gatherings towards the original book.

being therefore well adapted as a text-book for the political education of his countrymen.*

The encouragement given to the previous tentative work led the present writer to follow it up by the expansion and re-arrangement of its materials; influenced, as regards the latter point (in the "Personal" section of the volume), in some measure by the suggestion of a competent and courteous critic in the *Quarterly Review*, who afterwards gave his remarks upon the book a more enduring circulation.† As regards expansion, the former work included but a small portion of the material contained in the present; for the vein was found to be more rich as it was further explored. To deal with it in a manner likely to secure a satisfactory result has required such leisure and attention as opportunity may have afforded during many years; the difficulty at length having been to confine the gathered material within moderate limits, while not omitting (it is believed) any important or characteristic fact in either the historical or the biographical branch of the subject.

It is hoped that the work, in its present form, may be of practical value in more than one direction. As Mr. Lowe once pointed out, in a celebrated phrase,‡ the power of this country is now, more distinctly than at any former time, vested in the electoral body. Every individual citizen exercises a proportion of that power; and, that he may use it wisely, an acquaintance with the history and the working of our Parliamentary institutions is an essential condition. All have not the opportunity of reference to the works requisite for the information; but all may consult such a digest as will be

* He wrote: "Vous avez raconté, dans ses traits plus remarquables, l'histoire d'Angleterre, qui, ancienne ou moderne, est toujours *actuelle* pour nous, parcequ'elle est toujours la même chose, fatale et grande, *l'histoire de la liberté*. L'Italie, si grande dans son histoire ancienne et moyenne, si nouvelle dans l'histoire moderne, trouverait bien dans votre livre un recueil précieux d'exemples et de pratique liberale, qui l'aideraient immensément dans son éducation civile et politique."—Letter from Sig. Roger Calabrye, avocat à Naples.

† "Selected Essays by A. Hayward, Q.C." London: 1878.

‡ See p. 405.

found here, and the book may therefore claim to possess its educational uses at home. To maintain the standard reached by constant patriotic effort in past times, and so to uphold the dignity and efficacy of the Nation in Council, is a most important object, which it seems as necessary to keep in view at the present day as at any former period. Moreover, to this country the founders of Parliamentary institutions in other lands have been, and are, eagerly looking. Besides nations speaking other tongues, our numerous colonies have their growing Parliaments, all taking the cue from our own, and tracing in its history the foundations of a government at once popular, and regulated by law and order, while

Freedom broadens slowly down
From precedent to precedent.

To any of these colonial Assemblies might probably be applied a remark recently made respecting one of them: "It is almost as jealous of any departure from English Parliamentary precedent as could well be the House of Commons itself."*

As to the general subjects of Parliamentary rule and precedent, formally considered, it is scarcely needful to say that no attempt is here made to compete with the claims of such elaborate and exhaustive works as those of Sir T. Erskine May and his predecessors, Elsynge, Hatsell, and the rest. In the following "anecdotal" pages, these matters are necessarily kept less in view than the broad lines of historical fact, personal trait, and oratorical effort or allusion; and in dealing with these, one especial design has been to make the work useful to persons engaged in political and literary pursuits. The occasion of a particular incident, or the use of a certain

* Letter from special correspondent of the *Times* at Melbourne, March 31, 1880.—Since these lines were written, the subject has been enforced in the House of Commons. Mr. Speaker Brand, on his re-election to the chair in 1880, said, "The power and consequent responsibility of this House are constantly increasing. It is looked up to, not only by our colonial fellow-subjects as the parent of their popular Assemblies, but every nation in the world now treading in the path of Parliamentary Government watches our proceedings with the greatest attention and interest. It is, then, the more incumbent on us to set an example of freedom and order in debate, which constitute the life-blood of Parliamentary Government."

phrase, is often matter of dispute and requires verification, both in Parliament and out of it. A circumstance which occurred in the session of 1876 will show that the want of a ready means of authenticating such facts and phrases is felt, at times, by persons of the greatest eminence in political life. Mr. Gladstone, speaking in the House of Commons of an expression used by a former colleague (the Earl of Clarendon) in an important crisis, said he had been at some pains to find out in "Hansard" what were the actual meaning and connection of that expression ("drifting into war"), and he gave the correct version. If, however, the right honourable gentleman had had before him the small work of which this is a development, it would have saved him the labour, for the expression would there have been found, among many others of like interest, with the context as given in "Hansard's" pages.

The process of "mythical accretion" to which Mr. Gladstone referred on that occasion is constantly going on with regard to the celebrated dicta of our public men, and this makes it the more desirable to trace, as has here been done, the original occasion and precise sense of such expressions. Another instance in point will be found on page 386. Mr. Cobden was frequently credited with the saying that we could "crumple up Russia like a sheet of paper." What he really did say, and the "accretion" which followed, will there be found recorded; and many similar instances appear in other places. One of the express objects of this book is to prevent, on many occasions in future, the need of such laborious research as that instanced by Mr. Gladstone; and the number of political proverbs and sayings which will be found included here, with an account of the circumstances under which they arose, is very considerable. For many of these, recourse has necessarily been had, not only to the voluminous pages of "Hansard," and the similar records, such as they are, of former days, but to the deeper depth of ancient newspaper files, where alone some of the celebrated sayings of distinguished statesmen could be found,—often uttered on "extra-parliamentary" and slight occasions, but destined, by some

happy conjuncture of thought and phrase, to live as long in memory, or longer, than anything that fell from them in elaborate orations. To these, as well as some other portions of the book, gathered from voluminous histories and lengthy biographies, the words of the elder Disraeli, when speaking of some of his own labours, may not inappropriately be applied:—"There are articles in the present work, occupying but a few pages, which could never have been produced had not more time been allotted to the researches they contain than some would allow to a small volume."

It may be thought that anecdotes of a humorous nature occur in the book to an extent not to have been anticipated. They have, however, not been sought for, but have arisen from the nature of the subject. Humour has always played an important part in the proceedings of the British Parliament, whether it be the greater Parliament of the platform and the polling-booth, or the select body which assembles at St. Stephen's. As a worthy member of the House of Commons once remarked, it loves good sense *and* joking.* This book, therefore, could not faithfully mirror Parliamentary life, as it attempts to do, unless both qualities were fairly represented.

Reference to authorities is given throughout the work, wherever it seemed likely to be useful to the reader, or of any importance for verification. It is scarcely necessary to add that in many cases the authorities cited indicate only the sources from which the principal facts or reports are derived; such additions and explanations as may have been requisite to complete the information having, of course, been supplied from other sources.

Of one thing the reader may be assured,—that the work before him has been prepared without undue leaning or partiality in favour of any of the great parties in the State, whether in past or present time. The historical student frequently cares little for the differences of passing politics, seeing rather, in the calmness of private study, that the adversaries and opponents of a particular time have been, in the

* P. 671.

main, men working with different views towards common objects, and that there has been much on both sides worthy of admiration and respect. The familiar illustration of the knights and the shield is as applicable in political as in any other affairs, and it has required many chivalrous men of opposing views to build worthily upon the foundations of the British Parliament. It is believed that all sides alike are here fairly represented; for the historical spirit, as distinguished from that of party, in the main pervades the principal sources of information referred to, and in the collection of material from these quarters there has been no such endeavour as that of Dr. Johnson,* to "take care that the Whig dogs did not get the best of it."

* P. 562.

PREFACE TO THE THIRD EDITION.

DURING the twelve years which have elapsed since the issue of the first edition of this book, many events of the greatest interest and importance have transpired. The Parliamentary electorate has itself been immensely enlarged; and the brief period that now suffices to effect momentous changes in Parliamentary rules and procedure may be judged by careful readers from some of the closing pages in the first section of the book, and be read in fuller detail in its later portions. Again, the publication of numerous memoirs and biographies of deceased statesmen has thrown additional light upon important passages in their own personal history and career, as well as on that of their colleagues. These biographical records have all required consultation and reference, with results that may be found interspersed in the volume. Names that were most prominent in 1880 and afterward are now missing from the living roll; while statesmen then of lesser note have since come prominently forward, and in many cases

have required distinct and separate notice, such as had been given to some of their predecessors.

A further word of explanation remains to be added. The compiler of this book witnessed, when very young, O'Connell's last appearance at the table of the House of Commons, and remembers to have heard some of those feeble utterances of the dying gladiator to which Mr. Disraeli alluded in his memoir of Lord George Bentinck. In later years it was the writer's duty, also, as engaged on the Press, to attend the House of Commons on many an important and critical occasion. Therefore, in putting together this record of Parliamentary facts and incidents, so far as recent times are concerned, his hand has been both guided and restrained, in no small measure, by results of personal observation. As to former days, research has sometimes enabled him to recover contemporary records that were sought for in vain even in the library of the British Museum; and these are frequently quoted, especially in the earlier sections of the work.

To conclude, as to the whole aim and purport of the book, in the words of one who is frequently quoted in its pages,—it is

“to save from what traditions glean,
Or age remembers, or ourselves have seen,
The scattered relics care can yet collect. . . .
Types of the elements whose glorious strife
Formed this free England, and still guards her life.”



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PART I.
RISE AND PROGRESS OF PARLIAMENTARY
INSTITUTIONS.

Antiquity of Parliaments.—Parliaments or General Councils (writes Blackstone) are coeval with the kingdom itself. How those Parliaments were constituted and composed is another question, which has been matter of great dispute among our learned antiquaries, and, particularly, whether the Commons were summoned at all; or, if summoned, at what period they began to form a distinct assembly. In the main, the constitution of Parliament, as it now stands, was marked out so long ago as the seventeenth year of King John, A.D. 1215, in the great charter granted by that prince; wherein he promises to summon all archbishops, bishops, abbots, earls, and greater barons, personally; and all other tenants-in-chief under the Crown, by the sheriff and bailiffs, to meet at a certain place, with forty days' notice, to assess aids and scutages when necessary. And this constitution has subsisted in fact at least from 49 Henry III., there being still extant writs of that date to summon knights, citizens, and burgesses to Parliament.

The "Omnipotence of Parliament."—The power and jurisdiction of Parliament (says Sir Edward Coke) is so transcendent and absolute that it cannot be confined, either for causes or persons, within any bounds. Parliament can regulate or new model the succession to the Crown; as was done in the reigns of Henry VIII. and William III. It can alter the established religion of the land; as was done in a variety of instances in the reigns of King Henry VIII. and his three children. It can change and create afresh even the constitution of the kingdom and of Parliaments themselves; as was done by the Act of Union, and the several statutes for triennial and septennial elections. It can, in short,

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 Beebuck's Whig Ministry of 1830.
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 Rose, Diary of the Right Hon. George.
 Russell's (Earl) Recollections, Life of Fox, &c., &c.
 Russell's (G. W. E.) Memoir of Gladstone.
 Rushworth's Historical Collections.
 Scott's (Sir W.) Works.
 Selden's Table Talk, &c.
 Sidney's (Algernon) View of Government in Europe.
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 Southey's Life of Cromwell.
 Sovereign's Prerogative (the) and the Subject's Privilege, discussed betwixt Courtiers and Patriots (1627).
 Speeches and Passages of this Great and Happy Parliament (1641). The Diurnal Occurrences of ditto.
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 Stapleton's Canning and his Times.
 Stubbs's Constitutional History of England.
 Times Memoirs, &c.
 Torrens' (M'Cullagh) Lives of Graham and Melbourne.
 Townsend's Memoirs of the House of Commons, 1688-1832.
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 Waldegrave's (Lord) Memoirs.
 Walpole's (Horace) Letters, Journals, &c.
 Walpole's (Spencer) History of England.
 Walpoliana.
 Warburton's Memoirs of Horace Walpole.
 Warwick, Memoirs of Sir Philip.
 Wellington, Civil Correspondance and Memoranda of the Duke of.
 Wilberforce, Life of Bishop Samuel.
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APPENDIX.

(A.) THE PARLIAMENTS OF ENGLAND AND OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

The following list is from Returns compiled by order of the House of
Commons, and published in 1879-80:—

YEARS OF REIGN.	A.D.	YEARS OF REIGN.	A.D.
15 John	1213	10 Edward II.	1316
10 Henry III.	1226	11 Ditto	1318
38 Ditto	1254	12 Ditto	1318
45 Ditto	1261	12 Ditto	1319
49 Ditto	1264-5	14 Ditto	1320
9 Edward I.	1275	15 Ditto	1321
11 Ditto	1282-3	15 Ditto	1322
11 Ditto	1283	16 Ditto	1322
18 Ditto	1290	17 Ditto	1323-4
22 Ditto	1294	18 Ditto	1324
23 Ditto	1295	19 Ditto	1325
24 Ditto	1296	20 Ditto	1326-7
25 Ditto	1297	1 Edward III.	1327
26 Ditto	1298	2 Ditto	1327-8
28 Ditto	1299-1300	2 Ditto	1328
28 Ditto	1300	2 Ditto	1328
29 Ditto	1300-1	2 and 3 Ditto	1328-9
30 Ditto	1302	4 Ditto	1329-30
33 Ditto	1304-5	4 Ditto	1330
34 Ditto	1306	5 Ditto	1331
35 Ditto	1306-7	5 Ditto	1331
1 Edward II.	1307	6 Ditto	1331-2
1 Ditto	1307-8	6 Ditto	1332
2 Ditto	1309	6 Ditto	1332
5 Ditto	1311	8 Ditto	1333-4
5 Ditto	1311	8 Ditto	1334
5 Ditto	1311-12	9 Ditto	1335
6 Ditto	1312	10 Ditto	1335-6
6 Ditto	1312-13	10 Ditto	1336
7 Ditto	1313	10 Ditto	1336-7
7 Ditto	1313	11 Ditto	1336-7
7 Ditto	1314	11 Ditto	1337
8 Ditto	1314	12 Ditto	1337-8
8 Ditto	1314-15	12 Ditto	1338
9 Ditto	1315-16	12 and 13 Ditto	1338-9
9 Ditto	1316	13 Ditto	1339

YEARS OF REIGN.	A.D.	YEARS OF REIGN.	A.D.
13 Edward III.	1339-40	1 Henry IV.	1399
14 Ditto	1340	2 Ditto	1400-1
14 Ditto	1340	3 Ditto	1401-2
15 Ditto	1341	3 Ditto	1402
16 Ditto	1342	5 Ditto	1403
17 Ditto	1343	6 Ditto	1404
18 Ditto	1344	7 Ditto	1405-6
20 Ditto	1346	9 Ditto	1407
21 Ditto	1347-8	11 Ditto	1409-10
22 Ditto	1348	13 Ditto	1411
22 Ditto	1348-9	14 Ditto	1412-13
25 Ditto	1350-1	1 Henry V.	1413
25 Ditto	1351-2	2 Ditto	1413-14
26 Ditto	1352	2 Ditto	1414
27 Ditto	1353	3 Ditto	1415
28 Ditto	1354	3 Ditto	1415-16
29 Ditto	1355	4 Ditto	1416
31 Ditto	1357	5 Ditto	1417
32 Ditto	1357-8	7 Ditto	1419
34 Ditto	1360	8 Ditto	1420
34 Ditto	1360-1	9 Ditto	1421
36 Ditto	1362	9 Ditto	1421
37 Ditto	1363	1 Henry VI.	1422
38 Ditto	1364-5	2 Ditto	1423
40 Ditto	1366	3 Ditto	1425
42 Ditto	1368	4 Ditto	1425-6
43 Ditto	1369	6 Ditto	1427
45 Ditto	1370-1	8 Ditto	1429
45 Ditto	1371	9 Ditto	1430-1
46 Ditto	1372	10 Ditto	1432
47 Ditto	1373	11 Ditto	1433
50 Ditto	1375-6	14 Ditto	1435
51 Ditto	1376-7	15 Ditto	1436-7
1 Richard II.	1377	18 Ditto	1439
2 Ditto	1378	20 Ditto	1441-2
2 Ditto	1379	23 Ditto	1444-5
3 Ditto	1379-80	25 Ditto	1446-7
4 Ditto	1380	27 Ditto	1448-9
5 Ditto	1381	28 Ditto	1449
5 Ditto	1382	29 Ditto	1450
6 Ditto	1382	31 Ditto	1452-3
6 Ditto	1382-3	33 Ditto	1455
7 Ditto	1383	38 Ditto	1459
7 Ditto	1384	39 Ditto	1460
8 Ditto	1384	1 Edward IV.	1461
9 Ditto	1385	3 Ditto	1462-3
10 Ditto	1386	7 Ditto	1467
11 Ditto	1387-8	9 Ditto	1469
12 Ditto	1388	10 Ditto	1470
13 Ditto	1389-90	12 Ditto	1472
14 Ditto	1390	17 Ditto	1477-8
15 Ditto	1391	22 Ditto	1492-3
16 Ditto	1392	1 Richard III.	1493-4
16 Ditto	1392-3	1 Henry VII.	1485
17 Ditto	1393-4	3 Ditto	1487
18 Ditto	1394-5	7 Ditto	1491
20 Ditto	1396-7	11 Ditto	1495
21 Ditto	1397-8	12 Ditto	1496-7
23 Ditto	1399	1 Henry VIII.	1509-10

YEARS OF REIGN.	A.D.	YEARS OF REIGN.	A.D.
3 Henry VIII.	1511-12	2 William and Mary	1689-90
6 Ditto	1514-15	7 William III.	1695
14 Ditto	1523	10 Ditto	1698
21 Ditto	1529	12 Ditto	1700-1
28 Ditto	1536	13 Ditto	1701
31 Ditto	1539	1 Anne	1702
33 Ditto	1541-2	4 Ditto †	1705
37 Ditto	1545	7 Ditto	1708
1 Edward VI.	1547	9 Ditto	1710
7 Ditto	1552-3	12 Ditto	1713
1 Mary	1553	1 George I.	1714-15
1 Ditto	1554	8 Ditto	1722
1 and 2 Philip and Mary ...	1554	1 George II.	1727
2 and 3 Ditto	1555	8 Ditto	1784
4 and 5 Ditto	1557-8	15 Ditto	1741
1 Elizabeth	1558-9	21 Ditto	1747
5 Ditto	1562-3	27 Ditto	1754
14 Ditto	1572	1 George III.	1761
27 Ditto	1584	8 Ditto	1768
28 Ditto	1586	15 Ditto	1774
30 and 31 Ditto	1588-9	21 Ditto	1780
35 Ditto	1592-3	24 Ditto	1784
39 Ditto	1597	30 Ditto	1790
43 Ditto	1601	36 Ditto †	1796
1 James I.	1603 4	41 Ditto	1801
12 Ditto	1614	46 Ditto	1806
18 Ditto	1620-1	47 Ditto	1807
21 Ditto	1623-4	53 Ditto	1812
1 Charles I.	1625	58 Ditto	1818
1 Ditto	1625-6	1 George IV.	1820
3 Ditto	1627-8	7 Ditto	1826
16 Ditto	1640	1 William IV.	1830
16 Ditto (Long Parliament)	1640	1 Ditto	1831
Interregnum	1653	3 Ditto	1833
Ditto	1654	5 Ditto	1835
Ditto	1656	1 Victoria	1837
Ditto	1658-9	5 Ditto	1841
Ditto	1659	11 Ditto	1847
12 Charles II.*	1660	16 Ditto	1852
13 Ditto (The Long or)	1661	20 Ditto	1857
Pensionary Parliament)		22 Ditto	1859
31 Ditto	1678-9	28 Ditto	1865
31 Ditto	1679	32 Ditto	1868
33 Ditto	1680-1	37 Ditto	1874
1 James II.	1685	[43 Ditto	1880
Convention	1688-90	43 and 49 Ditto	1885-6]

* This official return preserves the theory that Charles II. began to reign on his father's decease.

† With this Parliament the Scottish was amalgamated, the first Parliament of Great Britain meeting Oct. 23, 1707.

‡ The first Imperial Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland was opened Jan. 22, 1801.

(B.) SPEAKERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The following list, down to the reign of Charles I., is on the authority of Hakewel's collection from the records and Journals of Parliament (1671). The subsequent names are chiefly from Dod's "Manual of Dignities." The dates, as compared with the regnal years, are supplied throughout from Sir Harris Nicolas's "Chronology of History." Re-elections are not specified, unless another individual had succeeded to the chair for a time;—

A.D.	SPEAKERS.	REIGNS.
1260	Peter de Montfort	44 Henry III.
1332	— Scrope	6 Edward III.
1339	William Trussel	13 Edward III.
1376	Sir Peter de la Mare	49 Edward III.
1377	Sir Thomas Hungerford*	51 Edward III.
1377	Sir Peter de la Mare	1 Richard II.
1378	Sir James Pickering	2 Richard II.
1379	Sir John Goldeborough	3 Richard II.
1381	Sir Richard Walgrave	5 Richard II.
1382	Sir James Pickering	6 Richard II.
1398	Sir John Bushey	17 Richard II.
1399	Sir John Cheyney... ..	1 Henry IV.
1400	John Dorwood	1 Henry IV.
1401	Sir Arnold Savage	2 Henry IV.
1403	Sir Henry de Redeford	4 Henry IV.
1404	Sir Arnold Savage	5 Henry IV.
1405	Sir William Starmy	6 Henry IV.
1405	Sir John Cheyney... ..	6 Henry IV.
1406	Sir John Tiptoft (Tibetot)	7 Henry IV.
1408	Thomas Chaucer	9 Henry IV.
1413	William Stourton... ..	1 Henry V.
1413	John Dorwood	1 Henry V.
1414	Walter Hungerford	2 Henry V.
1415	Thomas Chaucer	3 Henry V.
1415	Richard Redman	3 Henry V.
1415	Sir Walter Beauchamp	3 Henry V.
1416	Roger Flower	4 Henry V.
1421	Richard Baynard	9 Henry V.
1422	Roger Flower	1 Henry VI.
1423	John Russel	2 Henry VI.
1424	Sir Thomas Wanton	3 Henry VI.
1425	Richard Vernon	4 Henry VI.
1427	John Tirell	6 Henry VI.
1429	William Allington	8 Henry VI.
1430	John Tirell	9 Henry VI.

* The first to receive the title of Speaker, although others had in a measure performed the office before.

A.D.	SPEAKERS.	REIGNS.
1431	John Russel	10 Henry VI.
1432	Roger Hurst	11 Henry VI.
1435	John Bowes	14 Henry VI.
1430	Sir John Tirell	15 Henry VI.
1438	William Burley	17 Henry VI.
1439	William Tresham	18 Henry VI.
1444	William Burley	23 Henry VI.
1446	William Tresham	25 Henry VI.
1448	John Day	27 Henry VI.
1449	Sir John Popham	28 Henry VI.
1449	William Tresham	28 Henry VI.
1450	Sir William Oldham	29 Henry VI.
1452	Thomas Thorp	31 Henry VI.
1452	Sir Thomas Charlton	31 Henry VI.
1454	Sir John Wenlock	33 Henry VI.
1459	Thomas Tresham	38 Henry VI.
1460	John Green	39 Henry VI.
1461	Sir James Strangwaies	1 Edward IV.
1467	John Say	7 Edward IV.
1472	William Allington	12 Edward IV.
1482	John Wood	22 Edward IV.
1483	William Catesby	1 Richard III.
1485	Thomas Lovel	1 Henry VII.
1487	John Mordant	3 Henry VII.
1488	Sir Thomas Fitzwilliams	4 Henry VII.
1491	Richard Empson	7 Henry VII.
1495	Sir Reginald Bray	11 Henry VII.
1495	Robert Drury	11 Henry VII.
1496	Thomas Inglefield	12 Henry VII.
1503	Edmond Dudley	19 Henry VII.
1509	Sir Thomas Inglefield	1 Henry VIII.
1511	Sir Robert Sheffield	3 Henry VIII.
1514	Sir Thomas Nevill	6 Henry VIII.
1522	Sir Thomas More	14 Henry VIII.
1529	Thomas Audley	21 Henry VIII.
1536	Richard Rich	28 Henry VIII.
1539	Sir Nicholas Hare	31 Henry VIII.
1542	Thomas Moyle	34 Henry VIII.
1547	Sir John Baker	1 Edward VI.
1553	Sir James Dyer	7 Edward VI.
1553	John Pollard	1 Mary.
1554	Clement Highant	1 P. and M.
1555	John Pollard	2 P. and M.
1558	William Cordal	5 P. and M.
1558	Sir Thomas Gargrave	1 Elizabeth.
1562	Thomas Williams	5 Elizabeth.
1565	Richard Onslow	8 Elizabeth.
1570	Christopher Wray	13 Elizabeth.
1571	Robert Bell	14 Elizabeth.
1586	John Popham	23 Elizabeth.

A.D.	SPEAKERS.	REIGNS.
1584	Mr. Serjeant Puckering	27 Elizabeth.
1588	Mr. Serjeant Snag	31 Elizabeth.
1592	Edward Cook (Coke)	35 Elizabeth.
1596	Mr. Serjeant Yelverton	39 Elizabeth.
1600	Mr. Serjeant Crook	43 Elizabeth.
1603	Mr. Serjeant Phelps	1 James I.
1614	Sir Bandolph Crew	12 James I.
1620	Sir Thomas Richardson	18 James I.
1623	Sir Thomas Crew	21 James I.
1625	Sir Hensage Finch	1 Charles I.
1627	Sir John Finch	3 Charles I.
1640	John Glanville	16 Charles I.
1640	William Lenthall	16 Charles I.
1653	Francis Rous	Commonwealth.
1654	William Lenthall	
1656	Sir Thomas Widdrington	
1659	Chaloner Chute	12 Charles II.
1659	Thomas Bampfield	
1660	Sir Harbottle Grimston	
1661	Sir Edward Turner	13 Charles II.
1673	Sir Job Charlton	25 Charles II.
1673	Edward Seymour	25 Charles II.
1678	Sir Robert Sawyer	30 Charles II.
1678	Edward Seymour	30 Charles II.
1679	Mr. Serjeant Gregory	31 Charles II.
1680	William Williams	32 Charles II.
1685	Sir John Trevor	1 James II.
1688	Henry Powle	4 James II.
1689	Sir John Trevor	1 Wm. and Mary.
1694	Paul Foley	6 Wm. and Mary.
1698	Sir Thomas Lyttelton	10 William III.
1700	Robert Harley	12 William III.
1702	John Smith	1 Anne.
1708	Sir Richard Onslow	7 Anne.
1710	William Bromley	9 Anne.
1713	Sir Thomas Hanmer	12 Anne.
1715	Hon. Spencer Compton	1 Geo. I.
1727	Arthur Onslow	1 Geo. II.
1761	Sir John Cust	1 Geo. III.
1770	Sir Fletcher Norton	11 Geo. III.
1780	Charles Wolfran Cornwall	21 Geo. III.
1789	Hon. William Grenville	30 Geo. III.
1789	Henry Addington	30 Geo. III.
1801	Sir John Mitford	43 Geo. III.
1802	Charles Abbot	43 Geo. III.
1817	Charles Manners Sutton	58 Geo. III.
1835	James Abercromby	6 Will. IV.
1839	Charles Shaw Lefevre	2 Victoria.
1857	John Evelyn Denison	20 Victoria.
1872	Henry Bouverie Brand	35 Victoria.
1884	Arthur Wellesley Peel	47 Victoria.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF SPEAKERS.

Abbot	1802	Finch, Heneage ...	1625	Popham, Sir John	1449
Abercromby	1835	Finch, John	1627	Powle	1688
Addington	1789	Fitzwilliams	1488	Puckering	1584
Allington, William	1429	Flower	1416, 1422	Redeford	1403
Allington, William	1472	Foley	1694	Redman	1415
Audley	1529	Gargrave	1558	Rich	1536
Baker	1547	Glanville	1640	Rons	1653
Bampffield	1659	Goldeborough	1379	Russel	1423, 1431
Baynard	1421	Green	1460	Savage	1401, 1404
Beauchamp	1415	Gregory	1679	Sawyer	1678
Bell	1571	Granville	1789	Say	1467
Bowes	1435	Grimston	1660	Scope	1332
Brand	1872	Hanmer	1713	Seymour	1673, 1678
Bray	1495	Hare	1539	Sheffield	1511
Bromley	1710	Harley	1700	Snag	1588
Burley	1438, 1444	Higham	1554	Smith, John	1702
Bushey	1393	Hungerford, Thos.	1377	Stourton	1413
Catesby	1483	Hungerford, W. ...	1414	Strangwaies	1461
Charlton, Sir Job	1673	Hurst	1432	Sturmy	1405
Charlton, Sir Thos.	1452	Inglesfield	1496, 1509	Sutton	1817
Chaucer	1408, 1415	Lefevre	1839	Thorp	1452
Cheyney	1399, 1405	Lenthal	1640, 1654	Tiptoft (Tibetot)...	1406
Chute	1659	Lovel	1485	Tirell 1427, 1430,	1436
Compton	1715	Lyttelton	1698	Tresham, Thomas	1459
Cook (Coke)	1592	Mitford	1801	Tresham, William	
Cordal	1558	Mordant	1487	1439, 1446, 1449	
Cornwall	1780	More	1522	Trevor	1685, 1689
Crow	1614	Moyle	1542	Trussel	1339
Crook	1600	Nevill	1514	Turner	1661
Cust	1761	Norton	1770	Vernon	1425
Day	1448	Oldham	1450	Walgrave	1381
De la Mare	1376, 1377	Onaloe, Richard ...	1565	Wanton	1424
De Montford, P. ...	1260	Onalow, Arthur ...	1727	Wenlock	1454
Denison	1857	Onalow, Richard ..	1708	Widdrington	1656
Derwood	1400, 1413	Peel, A. Wellesley	1884	Williams, Thomas	1562
Drury	1495	Phelips	1603	Williams, William	1680
Dudley	1503	Pickering	1378	Wood	1482
Dyer	1553	Pollard	1553, 1555	Wray	1570
Empson	1491	Popham, John	1580	Yelverton	1596

(C.) PRIME MINISTERS, CHANCELLOR
FROM 17

(*) The Prime Ministers have frequently not been First Lords of the Treasury. Secretaries of State formerly acted conjointly. The duties were

	PRIME MINISTERS.*	CHANCELLORS OF THE EXCHEQUER.	LORD CHANCELLORS
1715	Robert Walpole	Robert Walpole	Lord Cowper
1717	James (Earl) Stanhope	James Stanhope	Lord Cowper
1718	Earl of Sunderland	John Aislabie	{ Earl Cowper { Lord Parker
1721	Sir Robert Walpole	Sir Robert Walpole	{ Lord Parker { Lord King { Lord Talbot { Lord Hardwicke
1742	Earl of Wilmington	Samuel Sandys	Lord Hardwicke
1743	Henry Pelham	Henry Pelham	Lord Hardwicke
1754	Duke of Newcastle	{ Henry Bilson Legge { Sir G. Lyttelton	Earl of Hardwicke
1756	Duke of Devonshire	Henry Bilson Legge	Commission
1757	Duke of Newcastle	{ Henry Bilson Legge { Viscount Barrington	Lord Henley
1762	Earl of Bute	Sir Francis Dashwood	Lord Henley
1763	George Grenville	George Grenville	Lord Henley (Earl Northington)
1765	Marquis of Rockingham	William Dowdeswell	Earl of Northington
1766	Earl of Chatham	Charles Townshend	Lord Camden

AND SECRETARIES OF STATE, TO 1892.

The Earl of Chatham, when Premier, held the office of Lord Privy Seal. (†) Two divided between Home and Foreign departments about 1765.

SECRETARIES OF STATE.†	
{ Earl Stanhope Paul Methuen	Viscount Townshend
Earl of Sunderland	Joseph Addison
Earl Stanhope	James Craggs
{ Viscount Townshend Lord Harrington	{ Lord Carteret Duke of Newcastle
Lord Carteret	Duke of Newcastle
{ Lord Harrington Earl of Chesterfield Duke of Bedford Earl of Holderness	Duke of Newcastle
Earl of Holderness	{ Sir Thomas Robinson Henry Fox (Lord Holland)
Earl of Holderness	William Pitt
{ Earl of Holderness Earl of Bute	{ William Pitt Earl of Egremont
{ George Grenville Earl of Halifax	Earl of Egremont
Earl of Halifax	{ Earl of Egremont Earl of Sandwich
HOME SECRETARIES.	FOREIGN SECRETARIES.
Duke of Grafton	Gen. Conway
Earl of Shelburne	Gen. Conway

THE COLONIES AND WAR.

(The office of Secretary for the Colonies originated in 1768, but was abolished by Act of Parliament in 1782. It was revived, and united with the new Secretaryship for War, in 1801; and the offices were divided into distinct Secretaryships in 1854.)

	PRIME MINISTERS.	CHANCELLORS OF THE EXCHEQUER.	LOED CHANCELLORS
1767	Duke of Grafton	Lord North	Lord Camden
1770	Lord North	Lord North	{ Commission Lord Apsley Lord Thurlow
1782	Marquis of Rocking- ham	Lord John Cavendish	Lord Thurlow
1782	Earl of Shelburne	William Pitt	Lord Thurlow
1783	Duke of Portland	Lord John Cavendish	Commission
1783	William Pitt	William Pitt	{ Lord Thurlow Lord Loughborou
1801	Henry Addington	Henry Addington	Lord Eldon
1804	William Pitt	William Pitt	Lord Eldon
1806	Lord Grenville	Lord Henry Petty	Lord Erskine
1807	Duke of Portland	Spencer Perceval	Lord Eldon
1809	Spencer Perceval	Spencer Perceval	Lord Eldon
1812	Earl of Liverpool	{ Nicholas Vansittart Frederick John Robinson	Lord Eldon
1827	George Canning	George Canning	Lord Lyndhurst
1827	Viscount Goderich	John Charles Herries	Lord Lyndhurst
1828	Duke of Wellington	Henry Goulburn	Lord Lyndhurst
1830	Earl Grey	Viscount Althorp	Lord Brougham
1834	Viscount Melbourne	Viscount Althorp	Lord Brougham
1834	Sir Robert Peel	Sir Robert Peel	Lord Lyndhurst
1835	Viscount Melbourne	{ Thomas Spring Rice Francis Thornhill Baring	{ Commission Lord Cottenham

HOME SECRETARIES.	FOREIGN SECRETARIES.	COLONIAL SECRETARIES.	WAR SECRETARIES.
Viscount Weymouth	Earl of Rochford	Earl of Hillsborough, 1768	
{ Viscount Weymouth Earl of Rochford Viscount Weymouth Earl of Hillsborough	{ Earl of Rochford Earl of Sandwich Earl of Halifax Earl of Suffolk	{ Earl of Dartmouth Lord G. Germaine Welbore Ellis	
Earl of Shelburne	Charles James Fox		
Lord Grantham	Thomas Townshend		
Lord North	Charles James Fox		
{ Marquis Carmarthen William Wyndham Grenville Henry Dundas Duke of Portland	{ Earl Temple T. Townshend (Lord Sydney) Lord Grenville		Henry Dundas (Viscount Melville), 1794
{ Lord Pelham Charles Philip Yorke	Lord Hawkesbury	Lord Hobart	
Lord Hawkesbury	{ Lord Harrowby Lord Mulgrave	{ Marquis Camden Viscount Castlereagh	
Earl Spencer	{ Charles James Fox Viscount Howick	William Windham	
Lord Hawkesbury	George Canning	Viscount Castlereagh	
Richard Ryder	{ Earl Bathurst Marquis Wellesley	Earl of Liverpool	
{ Viscount Sidmouth Robert Peel	{ Viscount Castlereagh George Canning	Earl Bathurst	
{ William Sturges Bourne Marquis of Lansdowne	Earl Dudley	Viscount Goderich	
Marquis of Lansdowne	Earl Dudley	William Huskisson	
Sir Robert Peel	{ Earl Dudley Earl of Aberdeen	Sir George Murray	
Viscount Melbourne	Viscount Palmerston	{ Viscount Goderich Edward Geoffrey Stanley	
Viscount Duncannon	Viscount Palmerston	Thomas Spring Rice	
Henry Goulburn	Duke of Wellington	Earl of Aberdeen	
{ Lord John Russell Marquis of Normanby	Viscount Palmerston	{ Charles Grant Marquis of Normanby Lord John Russell	

	PRIME MINISTERS.	CHANCELLORS OF THE EXCHEQUER.	LORD CHANCELLORS
1841	Sir Robert Peel	Henry Goulburn	Lord Lyndhurst
1846	Lord John Russell	Sir Charles Wood	{ Lord Cottenham { Lord Truro
1852	Earl of Derby	Benjamin Disraeli	Lord St. Leonards
1852	Earl of Aberdeen	William Ewart Gladstone	Lord Cranworth
1855	Viscount Palmerston	{ William Ewart Gladstone { Sir George Cornwall Lewis	Lord Cranworth
1858	Earl of Derby	Benjamin Disraeli	Lord Chelmsford
1859	Viscount Palmerston	William Ewart Gladstone	{ Lord Campbell { Lord Westbury { Lord Cranworth
1865	Earl Russell	William Ewart Gladstone	Lord Cranworth
1866	Earl of Derby	Benjamin Disraeli	Lord Cairns
1868	Benjamin Disraeli	George Ward Hunt	Lord Cairns
1868	William Ewart Gladstone	{ Robert Lowe { William Ewart Gladstone	{ Lord Hatherley { Lord Selborne
1874	Benjamin Disraeli (Earl of Beaconsfield)	Sir Stafford Northcote	Lord (Earl) Cairns
1880	William Ewart Gladstone	{ W. E. Gladstone { Hugh C. E. Childers	Lord (Earl) Selborne
1885	Marquis of Salisbury	Sir M. Hicks-Beach	Lord Halsbury
1886	William Ewart Gladstone	Sir W. V. Harcourt	Lord Herschell
1886	Marquis of Salisbury	{ Lord E. Churchill { George J. Goschen	Lord Halsbury

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Sir George Grey	{ Viscount Palmerston Earl Granville	Earl Grey	
Spencer Horatio Walpole	Earl of Malmesbury	Sir John Pakington	
Viscount Palmerston	{ Lord John Russell Earl of Clarendon	{ Duke of Newcastle Sir George Grey	Duke of Newcastle
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{ Sir George C. Lewis { Sir George Grey	Lord John Russell	{ Duke of Newcastle { Edward Cardwell	{ Sidney Herbert Sir George C. Lewis Earl De Grey
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