

LI HUNG CHANG'S BANQUET.

A Dinner With the Premier of China in the Admiralty Palace.

How a Chinese Banquet is Served and How This Great Chinese Diner Honored Secretary Foster—Among Others—The How—The What—The Where—The Why—The How—The What—The Where—The Why—The How—The What—The Where—The Why.

Special Correspondence of the NEWS.

LI HUNG CHANG has been stripped of his yellow jacket which he has been wearing since his three-eyed peacock-leather, and the report has been disseminated that he has been degraded from his high position in America...

into the banquet table and gave me descriptions of everything occurring there. The dinner table in the room through which we passed was draped with gold and silver. On the table were a variety of dishes, some of which were served in gold and silver vessels...

The Chinese took off their coats as they sat down to the table. Nearly every one of them had a servant in purple and red waiting on them. The dinner was served in a room which was decorated with lanterns and other Chinese ornaments...

It was an interesting thing to see that we have in America that dinner of which you are so fond. The banquet was an affair of great importance, and the Chinese guests were all of high rank and position...

All of the Chinese dishes were served in such shape that they could be eaten with chopsticks. In place of an evening jacket, the Chinese wear a long robe which is fastened at the neck by a button and is open at the front...

Speaking of various food, the Chinese are very fond of eating hot and cold dishes. They have a way of preparing food which is very different from our own, and they are very particular about the quality of their food...

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