

Col. made one spring forward, caught the intruder by the throat, and hurled him outside the hall. Col. Guky was but one man. Had twelve of the members followed the noble example of the Colonel, when the riot first commenced, the Parliament House might have been saved, and the reproach of such a vandal action spared to Montreal.

Col. Guky has had a *hit* from the *Recorder* as well as from many papers in Upper Canada for his crusade against the Press, but we honor the bravery of a brave man, and now that he is in conflict with those who seek to crush him, justice demands that in the hour of his trial and affliction he should receive the aid his conduct on the occasion referred to fairly entitles him to.

We see by the *Quebec Gazette* that Col. Guky has addressed several letters to His Excellency Sir E. Head, on the injustice of slighting native Canadians. We think where native born Canadians can be found qualified they ought to have precedence, but not otherwise. The letters alluded to, however, are too long for our columns, and we must only content ourselves with the notice of the noble conduct of Col. Guky we have here given.

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published in most Canadian newspapers.*

COLONEL GUKY.

"He quarrelled with his family and he quarrelled with the Government, and he quarrelled with the press*, and he has always taken the aggressive or the defensive with skill, pertinacity and pluck."

* The first imputation is not a fit subject for public discussion—but the third grew out of the second. An Englishman is understood to have a freehold in his office and is not to be turned out to starve, unless he commits some offence. None could be imputed to the subject of this notice, and it became necessary to enact a Statute to abolish his office, re-enacting it with a slight modification. The Government then quarreled with him—not he with the Government, and his offence consisted in this that he was not silent when fatally injured. His *quarrel* with the press amounted to this, that when the journals subsidized by the Administration, to justify its act, libelled him, he vindicated himself and punished them.