

was caused by the war with the Germans, in which she considered the English as much unfriendly as the latter. She could not conceive how we could go to war for the Turks, and not come to the help of Danish Christians; or how we could allow a Prussian fleet to get up into the Baltic.

DANISH ESTIMATE OF PRINCE ALBERT EDWARD.

Mrs. Rhoter had been in Denmark during the visit of the Prince and Princess. She had been for a few days foster-mother to the latter, and knew her intimately. The Prince, she said, pleased everybody. It had been thought he was heavy, judging from his portrait; but all he said and did was done with so much tact, and grace, and kindness, that he far outshone his more brilliant brother-in-law, the Czarowitz, who was also at the Danish Court the same time. We passed an agreeable visit. Refreshment was brought in—grapes, wine, and beer. She expressed her great regret we could not stay longer, and wished we could have spent several days. Her carriage and horses were at our service at all hours. We departed, charmed with her kindness and intelligence.

THE DRIVE, SCENERY, AND VEGETATION.

Mrs. Roach accompanied my wife and myself in Mrs. Rhoter's pretty carriage and greys. The way to Government House lay up an ascent along the side of the hill and ravine upon which St. Thomas, with its 12,000 population, is built. On either side was vegetation of the tropics in full luxuriance to our eyes, though this is the dry season; as we ascended, views of charming beauty from time to time met the eye. There was the town, romantically arranged, looking bright and gay. The bay, with its shipping, lay before us in several views. The heights above our heads presented picturesque irregularity, interspersed here and there with a villa surrounded with its enclosure of palms, plantains, and Indian corn. We drove afterwards through the town along the road past the cemetery and the Moravian establishment. We were particularly pleased with the vegetation; the hedges were formed of various species of cactus, some of which were in blossom, and about which the humming bird was sporting in its lively flight. Trees of the ebony, cocoa-nut, and silk cotton shaded the road. Oleanders, white and red, yellow trumpet flowers, floxes, acacias, and mimosas, shed rich lustre and fragrance on the scene.

Besides these, we saw tamarinds, papa-fruit, oranges, limes, bananas, grapes, and sugar-canes. There was a delightful breeze. The carriage was shaded, and we certainly enjoyed the drive exceedingly.

THE PEOPLE, RELIGION, LANGUAGE, AND CLIMATE.

The population, some 12,000, are principally of African descent, though the Government is Danish; yet a large proportion of the people are British subjects, and English is the universal language. There is an appearance of prosperity in the place, and it is, I understand, well governed.

Mrs. Rhoter regretted the Danish language was not more spoken,