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No Nation

At the inquest she said, "I was a better shot than Duarier, and if I had known that Bouval-lon wanted satisfaction, I would have fought him myself."

al Difficulty

This slave was named Archie Lee. He was just an ordinary, commonplace negro of pure African blood, and as black as night. He had been confined in a cell and was brought in a carriage to Mr. Johnston's office. As he was being conducted from the carriage a serious riot occurred. The colored men in the crowd made a wild rush to rescue the man, and were driven back by the officers. Pistols were drawn and aimed the crowd. Then a number of white men, who sympathized with the negroes, stepped forward, and for a few moments bloodshed seemed imminent. It was a desperate difficulty and only after a severe struggle between the prisoner and the men, did the man the prisoner remained in the hands of the an-

Victoria had her own little fugitive slave episode. In 1861 a gentleman resident in Olympia and visiting here, brought his black body servant with him. The servant was a slave. Although perfectly content with his surroundings, he was induced to desert his master and take up his abode with Victoria friends. He did not again return to servitude. There was some excitement on the wharf at the foot of Yates street when the master reasoned with and endeavored to induce his "battel" to return.

"Why," replied the plucky little fellow, who lay in bed with his arm bandaged, "I felt calm and safe, for I did not believe the good Lord would allow that miserable hound to kill me."

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Samuel Crawford, who so often has delighted the North British society with his Scottish songs, followed with a good English song, "The Island home of an Englishman." He was warmly encored and responded by repeating a part of the song.

William Gower proposed The Governor-General and the Governor.

His Honor Governor Fraser, who on rising was loudly cheered, responded in his customary good form. After some banter he introduced

alluded to the speech of Mr. Justice Russell, whose words had been timely and such as are much needed among us here. The people from which we have sprung have settled in this country, and they have settled—there settled them honestly and rightly according to the light that they had. They will settle the issues that are raised before them, and they will settle the raising of issues that are only imaginary. He was willing to leave the questions of the future in the hands of the people, and he was disposed of sensible and honorably, and for the good of the whole empire. Those people who are restive, they don't know why, who are wise beyond their intellect, are those who are restless. They are those who are restless because they are not satisfied with the burdens which they had better leave alone. The British people are equal to any emergency that may come, and they will be made a nation of the future. They will be made a nation of the future, and they will be made a nation worthy of its people and worthy of its name, which we are a part. The three national forces of the world, the Irish and English—can be dependent on to lighten the burden of the world, and the national destiny, even greater than that of the land from which we sprang. The governor was loud in his praise of the people, and he was loud in his praise of the people.

Following his speech was a good song well sung.

one who was not to be taken for granted. He had considerable experience in the management of large numbers of men, and he had been in the habit of saying that no militiamen with a fuller sense of the responsibilities of constituting a better class of men than the average of the population of the city and provinces were to be found anywhere in Canada. General Drury said that in this there was speaking in no mere spirit of flattery. The militia here had good opportunities for attaining the highest degree of efficiency and of acquiring all the advantages in a most creditable way.

Mr. Marsh sang a good number in fine style. The Canadian band played some of the best music of the day. Robert Theakston, "Our Guests" and "Our Next Meeting."

After a Sufragist riot outside the British House of Commons, a constable was asked by a member of the House what he had done in the riot.

"Never saw such a sight in my life, sir."

"Really? Were they very unruly?"

"Awful, just kicking and scratching, and going on and on."

"And you didn't get hurt?"

"No, thank you, sir. You see, I am a married man."

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