

THEOPHILUS IN TROUBLE.

A Black Brudder of the Billy-goat Brigade Bullies a Billsticker.

According to Theophilus Carolus "De White Maha Mus' Stan' Aside When he am Abah! I"



THEOPHILUS CAROLUS.

At the Central Police Court, on Thursday morning last, a coal-colored colonist called Theophilus Carolus was brought before Mr. Smathers, S.M., and charged with having used indecent language on the previous night to one David Dunne, a bill poster.

Theophilus, who was described on the charge sheet as a native of Madras, and an artist, of no religion, is a sub-coloured person with a set of black & raggy teeth, a crooked neck, and an abundant growth of frizzled black hair. He pleaded "not guilty," and was denied by Mr. Charles Bull, while Mr. H. A. Moss appeared to prosecute.

David Dunne, a bill poster, of 39 Oxford-street, Paddington, deposed that he was at the corner of Liverpool and Castlereagh streets on the previous night, shortly before 12 o'clock,

POSTING TRUTH'S CONTENTS BILLS, when Theophilus came along in company with four or five other male humans, all of whom were in "evening dress" and were drunk. Witness was just about to post a bill when Theophilus walked up to him and said: "You English b——, I'll hit you in the —— eye if you put that dirty rag up!" Theophilus then grabbed the bucket and paste brush, and said, "I'll give you one with the paste brush



EDWARD "VICTOR" LA VETTI.

now if you don't clear out." Witness secured his paste bucket and brush, when a marine—Mr. Moss: Not a dead marine?

Witness: No, a marine in man-o'-war uniform, came up and said to Theophilus, "He seems a bit too strong for you. let me GIVE HIM A MUD BATH."

Witness, however, got away, and Theophilus, in attempting to follow him, fell down. Witness met a constable a little further down the street and returned, and gave Theophilus in charge.

Constable W. Nelson gave evidence as to the arrest of Theophilus, who, he said, called Dunne a b—— liar, when the latter gave him in charge.

Theophilus Carolus, the defendant in the case, was the next witness. He described himself as a decorating artist, but he is said to be one of the "main gags" of the World's Matrimonial Agency, at 471 Pitt-street, where young, old, and middle-aged persons are married at "a quid a nob," with witnesses, etc., thrown in. Theophilus said that on the previous evening he had been to a Masonic function

IN EVENING DRESS.

He left the function at about a quarter to 12, in company with some other "gentlemen." They stood at the corner of Castlereagh and

in reply to Mr. Moss, Theophilus said that he had a few beers at the "function," but he didn't have any after he left, and he was as "sober as a judge."

Udolphe West Von Hagen, a George-street confectioner, who was in the company of Theophilus at the time of the alleged trouble, said

HE WAS IN EVENING DRESS,

too, but he was sure Theophilus didn't use the language attributed to him.

Edward Victor La Vetti, a painter—house painter, not an artist—stated that he was also with Theophilus when the bill poster was spoken to. Edward "Victor" was in evening dress too. He didn't hear Theophilus make use of any bad language. Edward "Victor" was quite sure that all were sober, and he particularly so, as he had only three small lemonade "shandies" during the "function."

Messrs. Moss and Bull decided not to address the Bench, and Mr. Smithers dismissed the case.



UDOLPHO WEST VON HAGEN.

Liverpool streets to wait for a few friends, when a man came and started to post up some bills. Theophilus, being rigged out in evening dress, appears to have feared that his finery would be soiled, and turned to Dunne and said: "Why do you use that brush and splash us." Dunne didn't appear to regard his "offence" in the same light as Theophilus, who was still in evening dress, and he told

THAT TAN-HUED "GEMMAN"

to mind his own business and not interfere with him or he would give him in charge. Theophilus "shut up" then and didn't do or say anything further, but Dunne rushed away and returned with the constable and gave the matrimonial agency magnate in evening dress in charge for obscene language.

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