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## HOW JOHN BULL LOST LONDON.

#### JOHN SMITH'S VISITORS.

"Now den, you von sacré Inglisman, you be kvick and make ze dinner here, or I vill make you ze pleasure of anoder cold bath. And, sacré bleu, find some odder domino, or you make von tumble out of ze window. Canaille! you tink we come here to be miserable like von John Bull, with your sacré portare-bière and your bifteck? You take my conseil, mon ami, and be kvick vit ze good

wine, ze domino, and ze dinner, or parbleu you shall see somesing."

Could the reader have looked in upon the scene where these cheering words were being uttered on the 4th of June, 1900, he would have witnessed a sight of a somewhat interesting character.

The Englishman thus addressed was no waiter in a French hotel, but a British tradesman at home, and the speaker no French gentleman on a pleasure trip, but a sergeant belonging to an invading army that had just before triumphantly entered London.

John Smith's first experience of an invader was not a pleasant one. Accustomed to live quietly in a little street just running off the Strand, and there to sell butter and bacon and eggs in