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A COLONIAL SUGGESTION.

ALFRED DEAKIN: Ah! Seddon, for Heaven's sake, accept this crown. It is more than I or anybody in the Commonwealth can bear, and the country says you're the only man on earth that's fit to wear it.

RICHARD SEDDON: No, no, Alfred. Me heart's with God's own country—New Zealand—and me di-tiny is to enfold her to me protecting bosom; but, assuredly, now we've got to know each other, I don't see why I shouldn't run both places from me own capital.