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in his becoming leader of the opponents of BTW, as W. E. B. Du Bois soon assumed that role.

² James H. McMullen, A. M. E. Zion pastor of the Columbus Ave. Church, where the Boston Riot took place, testified against Trotter at both of his trials, and was later part of a citizens' committee that called upon Boston's mayor to fire George W. Forbes for his part in the incident.

³ Granville Martin, after policemen forcibly removed him from the church for interrupting Fortune's speech, returned to the hall to interrupt W. H. Lewis. The police rearrested him at Lewis's request. He was tried and convicted with Trotter and served a jail term. He later moved to New York. (Fox, *Guardian of Boston*, 51-52, 54, 57, 156.)

⁴ Edward Everett Brown, born in New Hampshire in 1858, was a black lawyer. In 1907 he was deputy health commissioner of Boston, and later held the position of deputy tax collector of Boston.

⁵ Bernard Charles was prosecuted by BTW's supporters along with Trotter and Martin, but the judge decided he acted without premeditation and fined him \$25.

⁶ James Henry Duckrey (or Duckery), a black clergyman born in Delaware in 1861, was a member of the board of public licenses in Cambridge.

⁷ Napoleon Bonaparte Marshall, a black Bostonian and supporter of Trotter, was deputy tax collector in Boston from 1902 to 1906, when he moved to Washington, D.C., to practice law.

A Statement in the *Boston Globe*

Boston, Mass. July 31, 1903

COMPARED WITH FLIES

MR. WASHINGTON COMMENTS ON THE
ACTION OF A "FEW ILL-MANNERED
YOUNG COLORED MEN"

After the close of the meeting Mr. Washington said:

"Just as a few flies are able to impair the purity of a jar of cream, so three or four ill-mannered young colored men were able to disturb an otherwise successful meeting of the colored citizens of Boston tonight.

"I have rarely seen a greater triumph of the masses in favor of decency and order than I saw tonight after the police removed the three or four disturbers. I have rarely received a more hearty and welcome reception on the part of the masses than I received tonight, as was shown by their hearty applause and approval of my remarks and position.