

KING STANLEY OF AFRICA. Romantic Story of His Advanced Bride's Picture.

Special to THE ASTORIAN.

LONDON, May 17.—An address is published, signed by 254 persons, including lords and commons, protesting to the czar against the treatment of the part of the Russian government of Siberian exiles. The signers ask the Russian government to address the czar diplomatically in regard to this treatment of exiles.

Gladsone has written a letter in connection with the matter, in which he says that Russia is justified in returning a note in regard to this treatment of exiles with the communication, calling the attention of the British government to the brutal slaughter of the Irish people at Mitchellstown some time ago.

They Own the Soft Impachment.

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LONDON, May 17.—The story of the engagement of Stanley, the African explorer, to Miss Tennant, is confirmed by both interested parties. The engagement was made previously to Stanley's last departure for Africa, in quest of Emin Pasha. Miss Tennant is a tall handsome brunette, aged twenty-five.

A Shipwrecked Schooner.

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KINGSTON, Ont., May 17.—During a gale the schooner *Jessie Brick*, captained by Capt. Thos. Mackay and seven of the crew are lost.

"YES OR NO."

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A picture which forms a romantic story.

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LONDON, May 17.—Sir John Millars is a friend of Miss Tennant, Stanley's affianced bride. To perpetuate her charms, he put her into his famous picture, "Yes or No," for which he induced her to pose as a model. "Yes or No" is one of Sir John's most charming creations. It represents a tall, graceful girl in a simple, dark, closely clinging costume, standing with an open letter in her hands, which are clasped behind her back. She is smiling upon the answer she shall make to the letter, which evidently contains the question of questions, the reply of which will affect her whole life. The struggle in her lovely face is pictured with the fine sensibility of an artist.

This portrait picture grew out of a casual question Sir John once asked Miss Tennant.

The attitude of reflection which she unconsciously assumed before making a reply struck the eye of the artist. He transferred the little scene to canvas.

The present possessor of the work is well acquainted with Miss Tennant.

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LONDON, May 17.—O'Shea's lawyers intend to move in a few days, for the Farnell divorce suit to be set down for trial at once. If this is done, the case may be disposed of before the end of July.

There are many conflicting stories as to Farnell's defense.

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LONDON, May 17.—Gen. Boulanger, by letter, has dissolved the Boulanger national committee.

Will Fight Any Man.

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LONDON, May 17.—Slavin challenges any heavy weight pugilist in the world to fight before the Felton club for £1,000 a side, but prefers Sullivan.

Didn't Like England.

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PORTSMOUTH, Eng., May 17.—Thos. McKeown, a Canadian agent of the United States, killed himself with a pistol this afternoon. It was suicide, but no cause is known.

Nothing to be Added.

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Fire, Wind, Falling Houses, Winter, Death and Inhumanity.

Worshipping Under Difficulties.

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LONDON, May 17.—During holy week the Kurds in the district of Tocat Kola, Armenia rose against the Christians, attacked them while at worship, burned their churches and then roasted. The garrison bravely refused to give assistance. The list of victims is very large.

Stanley to Be an African King.

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LONDON, May 17.—It is reported that Stanley, after his marriage, will be appointed by King Leopold of Belgium, governor general of the Congo Free State. The wedding occurs in July. Stanley will therefore become the ruler under the king of Belgium of a territory covering an area of 1,000,000 square miles. This country contains a population of white and black of 27,000,000 people.

A Heavy Deficiency.

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LONDON, May 17.—Irregularities have been discovered in the management of the bank of New Zealand. Discrepancies in the accounts have been detected showing serious losses. To-day further deficiencies of 431,000 pounds sterling are reported.

A Fatal Explosion.

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MARSEILLE, May 17.—The boiler of the steamer *Ville de Tangier* exploded to-day: three were killed and four badly injured. The steamer is now damaged.

OFFICIAL PERQUISITES.

That the President and Congress Get Nothing.

BATHS, SHAVES AND HAIR CUTS.
The Chief Executive Allowed Very Little—Senators and Representatives Get Nearly Everything They Want.

All things considered, the office of president of the United States is rather bare of perquisites. Probably he has fewer such than any great ruler in the world. Beyond a few articles in the vegetable way the nation provides him with very little in addition to his salary of \$50,000 a year. He has even to pay out of his own pocket the wages of his cook and maid-servants, as well as those of his coachman and the price of the fodder for his horses. When he gives a state dinner, which is clearly an official and not a personal affair, he has to pay for the food. Not only does he not get anything cheaper than other people on account of being president, but he has actually to give more than ordinary folks for whatever he buys. The moment it is known that he desires a pair of horses, the price of the animals jumps 50 per cent. It is the same way with everything. As for horses and carriages, the president must buy his own.

It is true that the president does have some things allowed him. He has his dwelling rent free, which means that he is permitted to occupy a few rooms upstairs in an office building called the Executive mansion. When he gives an entertainment to his guests he receives for him in the highest style of the art with plants and flowers from the great city greenhouses, supplemented by what the white house conservatories are able to supply—all free of charge. Supposing that the entertainment is a dinner, all the equipments of the table including the napery, silver, china, glassware, mirrors and other center pieces, as well as the floral decorations are provided gratis. In fact all such accoutrements, as well as supplies of linen and furniture of all sorts requisite, are placed at the president's disposal. When the things wear out congress replaces them by appropriation. Only a little while ago \$5,000 was paid for a new china set for the president. Although the chief magistrate of the United States has to pay for his own cook and chambermaids, a butler and housekeeper are paid by the government to take care of his dwelling. The butler is a bonded officer, known officially as the "steward." His duty it is to look after the domestic affairs of the establishment. He sees to the heat and lighting—both of them supplied at the nation's expense—and purchases all the provisions for the president's household. The housekeeper superintends all such things as ordinarily come under the supervision of a person acting in that capacity. It is true that the chief executive must provide his own horses, carriages and coachman; but one strictly official turnout is given him, with a groom in addition. Also, there is appropriated each year \$8,000 for white house stationery, telegrams, library books and other contingent expenses.

THE PRESIDENT'S YACHT.

Last, but not least, a yacht is placed at the president's disposal by the navy department—the United States steamer *Dispatch*, which is already kept ready for his orders and service. They have absolutely no right to make use of the *Dispatch*, but no other president has ever entertained any scruples on the subject. Mr. Arthur found the vessel especially available as a pleasure craft. Mr. Harrison had many a fine experience on board her not long ago. He had to make an address from the deck to a crowd of people at the navy yard here. But, just as he was starting in, Baby McKeese set up such a howl that the president was obliged to take the interesting infant from the arms of a naval lieutenant and carry him while he concluded the speech, the vociferation of his small grandchild almost drowning his own.

After all, perhaps it would not appear that the president is so very badly off as perquisites. Cabinet officers have more reason to complain. They have absolutely no right outside of their salaries of \$8,000 a year save an equipage piece, and that is only obtained by a very loose construction of the law, which provides two horses and a carriage for each department secretary. Notwithstanding the fact that secretaries are fairly entitled to it, inasmuch as their official situation imposes on them certain duties of a social nature which ought not to be permitted to draw from their slender pay.

Members of the cabinet can do and get flowers and even plants from the horticultural gardens of the city, near the Washington monument, for decorative purposes when they give entertainments; but this is not in the same sense a perquisite, inasmuch as they depend for such favors entirely upon the good will of the superintendent of the public grounds. If he chooses to oblige them in this way, they get the things and not otherwise. Many congressmen and other persons of distinction are similarly supplied by the courtesy of the high official who controls all the parks, public buildings and secretaries in the way of the capital city of the Union.

THE CONGRESSMAN.

It is an eccentricity peculiar to the average congressman that bashfulness never restrains him from asking for anything. The principle he goes on seems to be that a member of the national legislature should get whatever he wants for. Being unable to procure quite as much as this, he tries to approach it as nearly as possible. How far he carries it successfully is illustrated to some extent by the fact that he expects the nation to cut his corns for him, if he has any, free of charge, and the nation does, too, as will be explained later on.

The other day your correspondent was interviewing Col. MacDonald, the fish commissioner, when who should

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Odd Experience of a Native at Nashville, Tennessee.

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The Wonderful Story of Old Bill Talbot's First and Only Visit to the City.

Old Bill Talbot, of East Tennessee, was summoned to Nashville to appear as a witness before the United States court. The old fellow had never before seen a town, but he was by no means dazed. He looked with indifference at the state capitol, he blinked with unconcern at the electric lights, and regarded a railroad engine—the first he had ever seen—with a sort of mild contempt; but along in the afternoon he encountered something that made him gasp with astonishment. In company with a bailiff he went into a saloon, and there on a table he saw an elaborate lunch. Of the free species, there was roast as large as a horse-block, a half-bushel of slaw, an enormous baked fish and a number of other appetizing fixtures.

"Hanged if they don't let me eat in here, anyhow," said Bill, as he gazed longingly at the spread. "Ef I just had a little money I'd step up there an' show 'em how a white man kin eat when he's got his paws set right."

"Money?" said the bailiff, "why, it would cost you anything; it's free."

It was then that old Bill lost his breath. "What!" he exclaimed, "you don't mean to say that I mount pitch in that an' be 'p'nt' myself?"

"That's what you can do."

"Look here, don't tamper with me this way. You may joke my clothes and you may call me an old fool, but I don't lose no man to prowl with my upon the wisdom of the sages who sit at the feet of Vice-President Morton. It has been thought judicious to encourage the habit of eating among congressmen, and with this end in view laws were made free for both house and senate, it being thought that no member would be likely to resist indulgence in anything that was gratis. Thus it happens that members of the lower house get paid nothing at all for their meals, but senators are usually too dignified to offer tips. If there is anything to be paid the senate prefers to pay it out of the contingent fund. The house has also a special appropriation of a chiropodist, who ministers to the afflicted feet of representatives free of charge. They may give him something if they like."

Each member of congress has as a perquisite \$125 worth of clothing each year. Formerly "stationery" included such articles as mouchoir cases, opera glasses, clocks, brushes, combs, etc., all of which were kept in stock by the big government stationers at either end of the capitol building. In those times senators and representatives were accustomed each year to lay in their supplies of Christmas presents from their stationery allowance; but it has been abolished since the legislature are being sadly cut down year by year. It is even proposed now to take away his power of directing the appointment of fourth-class postmasters in his district. However, he is still entitled yearly to about 1,000 volumes of public books—perhaps 600 of them agricultural reports—and the latter, at all events, if he is not from an agricultural district, he can sell and does sell to a considerable profit. He is also entitled to a seat on the uniform force of 10 cents a piece. Here is a source of income in itself. Also he receives 5,000 small packages of seed, for distribution among his constituents. Congress appropriates \$100,000 for this purpose each year.

MILEAGE.

Nor would it do to leave out the point about mileage. Each member, by law, gets 10 cents for every mile travelled in going one round trip from his home to Washington and back for each congress. Constant congressmen in this way receive a neat little \$6,000 extra for each two years of service. Congressmen seldom thought of paying railway fares until the interstate commerce law was passed, and even now they travel largely in the same way, though, surreptitiously, as it is supposed, such packageboxes as congressmen care to use are numbered and stamped with the name of the carrier at the capitol—beautiful pine chests with hinges, and altogether desirable for packing dresses and family goods of all sorts, though it is understood as a matter of fact that they are intended for storing away papers and documents exclusively. Meals in the restaurants beneath the house and senate are served to members at considerably reduced prices.

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