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THE GREAT HESPER OR THE SEARCH FOR THE BIGGEST DIAMOND IN THE WORLD. By FRANK BARRETT.

CHAPTER XII. Continued.

Impossible, according to your story, but it is the truth for all that. I got off the path, and could not find my way back. She led me to a road—God knows where!—and left me.

getting entangled in the undergrowth of briars interwoven with the tall brake. He must follow in our steps to overtake us. The danger lay in the straightness of the path, which kept the view open from the road.

I am free to maintain that he knows all about it. If you ask me how he knows, I'd tell you as I don't know. There's a many things we don't know, but that's no reason why we shouldn't try fur to find out.

CZAR OPENS PARLIAMENT

Russia Makes Her First Experiment in Representative Government

St. Petersburg, By Cable.—Without a single hitch and with only a minor incident to mar the memorable day, the Russian Parliament was inaugurated. The weather was superb, and the stage management of the impressive ceremony in the Winter Palace, where Emperor Nicholas, surrounded by courtiers and all the pomp and panoply of power, delivered the speech from the throne to the members of the two houses, was perfect.

THE WORK OF CONGRESS

What is Being Done Day by Day By the National House and Senate.

Senator Daniel Concludes. In the Senate Senator Daniel concluded his speech on the railroad rate bill. Taking up the question of the extent of the review to be had by the courts in rate cases and repeating briefly his objections to Mr. Bailey's proviso for the non-suspension by the courts of the orders of the inter-State commerce commission, he said he did not agree with those who contended that there was no other way of protecting the interests of the shipper.

LIVELY DISCUSSION

Senator Tillman Brings Out His Evidence

SHOWS PRESIDENT HAS CHANGED

New Hampshire Ex-Senator's Written Account of His Conferences With President as Intermediary Between Executive and the Senator.

Washington, Special.—Senator Tillman, who made a statement in the Senate Saturday covering the details of his and Senator Bailey's negotiations, through ex-Senator Chandler, with President Roosevelt regarding the rate bill, made public a portion of a written statement to him by Chandler of the last-named's various conferences with the President on this subject. The portion given out by Mr. Tillman is largely a repetition of the first part of his statement in the Senate. It covers, however, that portion where Mr. Tillman had quoted Mr. Chandler as saying that the President had stated that he had come to a complete disagreement with the senatorial lawyers who were trying to defeat or injure the bill, naming Messrs. Knox, Spooner and Foraker, regarding which statement Senator Lodge subsequently said he was authorized to say from the White House that it was an unqualified falsehood.

HOPEFUL VIEWS PREVAIL

With Pomp and Panoply Perhaps Hitherto Unequaled Constitutional Government is Inaugurated in Russia

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MEMBERS DISSATISFIED

Emperor Nicholas read slowly. The admirable and even cordial tone of the sovereign in renewing his pledges and asking the cooperation of parliament for the regeneration of the country was only negatively satisfied

son an empire secure, well organized and enlightened. "May God bless the work that lies before me in unity with the Council of the Empire and the imperial Douma. May this day be the day of the moral revival of Russia and the day for the renewal of its highest forces.