

**A Visit to Her at Washington, and a Chat With Her
About General Grant and Some of Her
Wonderful Experiences**

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"By the way, Mrs. Grant, what is the true story as to the frequency of James' visits to you? You have said that some of those were published near the time when stated that he refused to remain in the city, and that he could not do so at his master's table?"

"Yes, I have heard the stories," replied Mrs. Grant. "They were not true. I have never seen any of the papers in which they published. The truth is, James' conduct there, as it has always been elsewhere, was that of a gentleman, and he was not known to any of the slaves everywhere in England; and there was no intention by the English to stigmatize him there at all. The mistake was put it outside on the part of Mr. Baileys. James did not want to go to the dinner at all. He had a very good dinner at home, and he had to leave London when there were a lot of young per-

free from culture. "He would be writing about the things that I found interesting, by telling them in Greek and stories, and, perhaps, asking him questions. He would stand it for a while, but at some time he would get bored and he would sometimes say, 'Julia, you must really not talk to me now. I have a very important paper which I am writing, and I must go.' And he would go. And then he would go to work again, and in about half an hour I would forget about what he had said, and would burst on with my own story, and he would come back and sit with another story. He would listen until I ran through and then go back to his writing. He made few corrections, but he would correct me thoroughly well pointed on almost every thing."

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