SEWARD'S STORIES.

Because He Was Slight Many Persons Could Not Believe He Was a Great Man.

William H. Seward used to tell some interesting stories of his advent into politics. It amused him greatly, he used to say, to see the surprise depicted upon the faces of politicians who had heard of him, but had never seen him before. He was so slight of figure and so boyish looking that it seemed impossible that he could be really the brilliant William H. Seward of whom they had heard so much. Mr. Seward used to say that the young man who was 5 feet 10 or taller, and of splendid physique, had a great deal better chance to get along in politics than the little fellow, such as he was.

One day at the seashore he was introduced to a famous politician as Mr. Seward. "Seward? You come from New York State ?"

"Yes, that is my home." "Well, I have heard of a Seward there who they say is going to make a great name for himself, and the one that the Whigs ran for Governor last year. Do you happen to know him? Perhaps he is a relative of

yours ?" "Oh, yes, I know him, or suppose I do. I ought to, for I am the Seward you refer

"What you? Pardon me, but you are a mere boy."

for Governor last year," replied Mr. Seward, laughing very heartily over the surprise expressed by this famous politi-

He used to tell another story that seemed to give him great joy to repeat. When he was a member of the State Senate the first

mere respect.

"But I received a message from you." "I do not remember to have sent one. I am expecting this afternoon a visit from Senator Seward. Maybe my request has miscarried. I did not catch your name."

"Why, I am Senator Seward, General." The politician arose from his seat, went toward Seward, put his hands on his shoulders, and said: "Well, Senator, you will pardon me, I know. I supposed you were a young beau who had called with a lurking desire to meet my daughter. Let me apologize by saying that you have indeed an old head on young shoulders."

Then he abandoned his formal manner and an intimacy was begun which lasted for

One of the best stories Seward told was of a reception he had while Governor of the State. He gave it in honor of Millard Fillmore. A great many people knew neither Seward nor Fillmore by sight. Fillmore was a splendid specimen of sturdy manhood, nearly six feet in height. He stood at Seward's left and the difference between the men was striking. Of the throng that passed by those who were not acquainted with either Seward or Fillmore saluted Fillmore as Governor, and he turned to Seward and said: "Why do so many people mistake and call me Governor ?"

"Ah," said Seward, "it is because in the popular mind there is an instinctive feeling that a great office should be filled by a man who is physically great as you are, Fillmore. When people see me they think some mistake has been made and that in some way or other a boy has been chosen Governor .- New York Sun.

A Modern Monte Cristo.

nection with them, or surmised to be, is a eral effect is so natural and real that it certain Basilio Giovanardi, of whom the amazes one to hear that it is not so. Yet Italian papers recount extraordinary stories. | the fact is that the island, as we see it to-He is 33 years of age, and is very well day, is a work of art-of the art of Frederknown in the provinces near Verona, and ick Law Olmsted and his partner, the landhas been considered by the people there as scape architects. The land was shaped as a sort of Count Monte Cristo. His life, in | it is now, and the lilies and grasses and fact, seems to have been a mystery.

in a factory near Verona. One day, how. cisely as the gigantic palaces of the exposiever, he told his employers that he would tion were first designed upon paper, and leave them, as he also was going to do the then executed by mechanics. Signore (the gentleman). In fact he went | Such perfected bits of the fair-ground do away, and after a time was seen in Verona not speak for themselves, however; one well dressed, spending money very freely, might walk around and over them and never and throwing away 1,000-franc notes at a suspect that there was a story to tell contime on the most silly amusements. Every | cerning them. It is the buildings that are one began to wonder where and how he had | loudly eloquent of their own histories, and fallen into such good fortune, but no one that cause repeated exclamations of wonder could tell. He went in for horses, and often | and delight from all who see them. While had as many as thirty of them at a time in | they were at their first stage they were less his stables. His rooms also were furnished substantial than most skeletons. They in a magnificent manner. He would, however, | looked like mere cobwebs of timber and sell off occasionally his horses and furniture, fron. Next their sides were latticed with and go off on long journeys, and always came | thin wood-work so that you saw their full back evidently richer than ever. His fin- dimensions and artistic outlines and proporgers were always covered with magnificent | tions, and yet could look right through diamond rings, and he wore priceless jewels | them as if they were architectural ghosts. on his person in the shape of scarfpins, To-day some are partially at that stage, and watch chains, etc. One day he returned to partially clothed with the staff that is to Verona with a case full of gold Geneva make them all look like palaces of marble watches. This was heard of by the police, or of ivory. They rise on every hand to and he was arrested on the accusation of great heights, with graceful arches and picsmuggling, but almost immediately was let | turesque towers and pinnacles, and already | off, as there was no proof, and he showed a reveal bits of storied entablature, groups of receipt which made it clear he had bought statuary, reaches of decorated frieze, and, in the watches on his own account. In a shop | short, strong hints of all that they are to be. at Verona he showed the proprietor, whom One cannot be among them, and with the he knew, 110 notes of 1,000 francs each, that, architects and artists who are at work upon he had in his pocket. On several other oc- them, without feeling that one is upon casions he was seen to light his cigars with | novel ground, that they are realized castles 10 franc notes. The police hearing of this, in Spain, that the scene is an artists' feskept watch, and he is now arrested as hav- tival, and that the entire work is like a ing to do with the coinage of false money.

Great excitement has been felt at Verona about his arrest, and at the revelations with regard to this well-known character

Lowell on Literary Workmanship.

or as a pastime," said Mr. Lowell, "is a Edith's prosperity. Her eyes are roving. and employs her talents practically in makdangerous practice; but if deliberately unThey spy the bit of fluff upon the carpet, ing beautiful pieces of furniture from the carpet from you what happens in hundreds of lament- recital of Edith's happiness is interrupted Carrie Wheelan has one of the finest collecable instances. An inexperienced writer while she walks across the floor to wipe off tions of coleoptera extant, which is honorconceives a story—perhaps a very good one a table's edge or to lament the difficulty of ably mentioned in the Scientific Directory. -the plan of which resembles some work keeping a room clean when the windows are The Misses Lowry, Isabel and Agnes, are by a famous author. The first thing he so often opened. by a famous author. The first thing he does is to make that author his model. He Births, deaths or marriages may come and burgh, Paris, and Vienna, with well-earned burgh, Paris, and Vienna, with well-earned burgh, Paris, and Will furnish

themselves a great deal just now with all of less importance than the discovery that takes a flight into grotesque or marvellou's regions, they almost invariably set up Poe as a pattern; and the farther they can get away from their own identity in the attempt to mimic him the more contented they are. It does not occur to them that even if they made his style literally their own, they would have little to be proud of." -Harper's Weekly.

Sick-room Disinfectants.

One of the simplest disinfectants of a ick room is ground coffee burnt on a shovel. so as to fill the atmosphere of the room with its pungent, aromatic odor. If two red-hot coals are placed on a fire-shovel, and a teaspoonful of ground coffee sprinkled over them at a time, using three teaspoonfuls in all, it will fill the room with its aroma, and is said to have the hygienic effect of preventing the spread of various epidemic diseases, The odor is very agreeable and soothing to a sick person, where other disinfectants prove disagreeable. Physicians who doubt the power of coffee as a disinfectant frequently recommend it as a deodorizer, and it is certainly one of the very best and most agreeable. Most of the expensive disinfectants sold in the shops have no special power as such, but are simply deodorizers, the two being frequently confounded. It is best, however, to obtain from a physician in cases of dangerous epidemics something that will certainly destroy the germs "Nevertheless, I am the Seward who ran of the disease as well as deodorize the room.

GETTING READY FOR THE FAIR.

Wonderful Transformations Wrought in

One Brief Year, It is not true that the grounds of our time he received a message from one of the Columbian Exposition in Jackson Park, and as seen but little of his father, the exmost distinguished politicians in New York | Chicago, have for months been more clown, or his mother, the ex-ballet dancer, pleased to be honored thus, and arraying fair is thrown open to the world. And yet means of a hand-organ, with which they Pantheon and the Trocadero are thus but himself in his Sunday clothes, which con- they have presented a fascinating study perambulate the streets. sisted of a blue broadcloth coat, cut swal- during all the stages of the preparation low-tail fashion. light colored trousers, for the great display, a scene so peculiar strapped over the gaiters, a very high that no public exhibition except the comdickey collar and stiff stock, and a pleted fair can exceed it in interest. To bell-crowned beaver hat, he went to call on have been there and to have watched the the distinguished man. He was received in | construction of the exhibition palaces is to the parlor, and the politician, while cour- have enjoyed a great surprise and a unique teous, was cold and distant, treating him pleasure. The three thousand spectators with utmost formality- Mr. Seward said : on week-days and the ten thousand who "I thought perhaps you had some special have paid their quarter-dollars at the gates on Sundays will alone be able to boast, when "No, sir, I do not think of any; in fact, they see the Columbian show itself, that I supposed you were paying me a call of they have enjoyed the full spectacle. They will have seen the earliest and most peculiar exhibit-the mode and progress of construction. It will not dwarf the aggregation of exhibits, but it pales every single one or

It is the custom of the persons concerned in the work to refer back to the time when not a spade had been thrust in the surface of the fair-ground, as if that were an interesting period; and truly it is wonderful, now, to see the finished avenues and lawns around the great palaces, and the trim-sided lagoons, and the orderly beach of Belgian blocks against which the lake's wavelets lick, and to know that here, a year ago, was part jungle, part marsh, and part sandy waste. Of what has been done with the land and water nothing is to me more interesting than the story of the making of the Wooded Island. This island, as all the public must know, is in the main lagoon between the Horticultural Building and the enormous structure for the exploitation of manufactures and liberals arts. It contains sixteen acres, is sparsely wooded, and is de-

signed to be kept rid of all buildings except a superb Japanese temple, and is to be sacred to public comfort. It will be a cool and shady place for visitors to rest upon. One end of it the Japanese will decorate with there peculiar but beautful flowers and dwarfed trees and this they have promised to give to Chicago as a lasting memento of their interest in our exposition. The place was scarcely an island; it was rather a lump of solid sand in a marsh. Today it is a picturesque islet that any one would aver had been made by Nature, and by her slow processes. The banks slope into the clear water of the lagoon in a very naturally ragged way, with sedge-grass and weeds and lilies wading out beyond the edges of the water. Little arms of vegeta-A band of fabricators of false money were | tion and of land reach out here and there arrested at Verona the other day. In con- between tiny coves and bays, and the genwater plants were put there and made to Nine years ago he was a poor workman grow according to a picture or a plan, pre-

materialized dream.—Harper's Weekly.

Matter Out if Place.

that may be brought to light in the coming keepers exhibit toward dust seems amustion. Mrs. Coit counts her fortune in milingly exaggerated to quieter souls. To the lions now, but she is still an honored guest joy is paramount. With her mouth she and the toast of the occasion. Miss Marie "Imitation, even as an experimental study | may mourn William's sorrow or exult over | Williams is a cabinet maker of much skill,

supernatural effects. When their fancy her dreaded enemy has gained a foothold in some unsuspected corner.

An enthusiast of this sort one evening, with a tragic air, requested her husband to accompany her to an upper chamber. The tired lawyer was impressed by her solemn manner, and heavily climbed the necessary in Greek or Latin besides reading the stairs. The lady led him into a room and pointed sternly to a table.

"Look at that," she said, indignantly. "Three times this week I have told Mary to dust it. I believe she neglects it purposely. I am completely disheartened." The lawyer looked at the table and sigh

"My dear," he replied, "to-day I have had to deal with a murderer and two burg lars. I have also examined two wife-beaters and one child-stealer, but anything like the moral depravity of Mary I confess I never saw before-never !"

And the lady triumphantly led the procession down stairs. - Harper's Bazar.

The Organ-Grinding Viscount

Viscount Hinton, the organ-grinding son and heir of the bankrupt and insolvent Earl Poulett, is once more entertaining the holioay seekers at Southsea, in England, with his hurdy-gurdy, and is reaping shoals of coppers and sympathy for "the real live nobleman who has been so badly treated by

In view of the fact that neither the old earl nor yet Lord Hinton are reputable citizens it is a comfort to learn that Lord Hinton's eldest son, the Hon. Wm. Poulett, was removed from his parents at a very early age with their full consent, and has been carefally educated and brought up by wealthy persons who are interested in his

He is now a young fellow 22 years old,

My Saint.

My saint is a saint that few may know In all that she does for us sinkers below She is fair as faithful and faithful as fair, With a halo encircling her beautiful hair.

She is full of wiles and moods as an elf,

And yet is the spirit of truth itself, And well for him who his burden can bear In the light of the halo about her hair. Her face is a mirror where men may read The truth that inspires her, thought and deed;

And she has a halo about her hair; Her care is for others and not for herself. And naught she recks of profit or pelf; Enough for her that her goal is won, And she knows not her halo is bright as a sun

Her life is a life of devotion and care,

All things she does from the splendid love That comes to her here from a power above : And I who adore her can hardly dare To look at the halo about her hair. -Walter Herries Pollock,

Algoma's Advantages. A correspondent writes: The population

of Algoma is 45,000, an increase of 69 per cent. in the past ten years. No more fertile lands can be found than many points a few miles inland. For years settlement has been quietly going on and many fine farms stretch over large districts. The mineral lands are, of course, mainly rock, and to the traveller by water nature presents the same features, yet inland but a short distance are the richest grass lands. Drought is and the streams, unlike the surface water of the prairies, are of spring water, swift running, clear and cold from the mountain ranges, abounding in trout and embanked in pasture lands superior to this part of the Province. No one penetrating the interior can fail to observe the thriving condition of both man and beast, and it is a question whether the Northwest, with all the stimulus given by the opening of the railway and the unlimited advertising of the numerous land companies, has increased proportionately in population. One reason is obvious. Algoma is close by and its climate is tempered by the lake, and if, with its salubrious yet bracing airs, Algoma has not pushed itself into notice it is because its people have quietly pursued their avocations and printers' ink has done duty unless cured. The spring of vital force made Pastry. Wedding Cakes a Specialty. the new country far to the northwest. Yet | war esin consequence. Those who through every day the resources of the country and abuse committed in ignorance may be the geographical advantages of its water- permanently cured. Send your address ways are bringing it to the front. Its for book on all diseases peculiar to man. mineral development-in its infancy-is Books sent free sealed. Heart disease, already great. Last year 12,000 vessels the symptoms of which are faint spells, waited their turn through the canal, yet purple lips, numbness, palpitation, skip but a short distance back from that most beats, hot flushes, rush of blood to the capital farm lands, tracts of birch and maple and elm, certain to insure large re- strong, rapid and irregular, the second turns, so near are they, comparatively, heart quicker than the first, pain about to the great canals, and point d'appui of the breast bone, etc., can positively be many thousand craft, halting where the cured. No cure, no pay. Send for book. waters of Superior will drive the wheels of Address M. V. Lubon, 24 Macdonell Ave. commerce. To term this a forecast would Toronto, Canada. be inappropriate—the realization is too near. Events plainly point to the coming importance of the Sault, not alone as the key of the lakes, but the junction of all the through lines of railway, the half-way between this part of Ontario and the head of

Lake Superior. The immense carrying

trade, swelling yearly, compels the con-

struction of public works and vast local im-

provements. Nature favors Canada, and

all craft, American and Canadian, hug the

Canadian shore to the head of Sugar Island,

yet all craft seek the only canal, the Ameri-

can. We change all this shortly. Topo-

graphically, Canada, from a railway view,

has the advantage; the depth, which gives

us the channel for all, will enable our rail-

ways to coal from the docks without further

handling. Minnesota and the west are some

700 miles nearer Liverpool via the Sault than by way of Chicago and New York. The Society Leaders of California. According to a recently published account in the Examiner the society leaders of California are most original, energetic, and gifted women. To Miss Lizzie Coit belongs the peculiar distinction of being the only woman member of a fire company. She joined the fire volunteers when a young girl, and responded in volunteer days to every alarm with the same alacrity and The fierce animosity some ardent house- courage as the other members of the associaworse injury. Magazine men are occupying ing her sweeping day postponed; they are titioners in San Francisco. Miss Eleanor de Toronto.

Houghton, daughter of a baron second in England, is an expert goldof jewelry in antique patterns which no one would take for the work of an amateur. Miss Swyney speaks eight modern languages, and can sustain her part in a conversation

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The Catacombs of Paris.

New York Ledger.

The catacombs, which are approached by a long corkscrew staircase, are the ancient quarries out of which the stone was extracted between the third and ninth centuries to build Paris. These quarries extend underneath two thirds of the capital, and the rock roof has to be sustained in several asking for an interview. Mr, Seward felt interesting than they will be when the both of whom now earn their living by places by masonry. The foundations of the tressed up. When Napoleon I. contem plated the erection of a palace for his son, the King of Italy-that was a Latin Union the French liked-he selected for its site Trocadero; but as it was too honeycombed he relinquished the idea. Many persons are under the impression that the catacombs contain only the contents of the cemetery of the Innocents-on which the present Central market stands. They are the common receptacle for all the bones of the intramural graveyards of the city, as decreed by the

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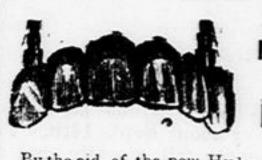
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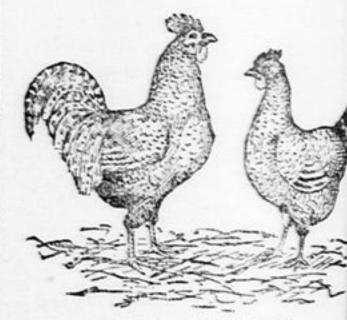
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cion of new officers; and a it was suggested by Set er, a real-estate agent, th ig ought to be done with eadvised the boys to buy a ich was for sale in the vil for a rise in value. d a meeting every day ben they had finally purch they found amusement ek in building a fence arou But it would take too lon THE NORTH KING is one of verything that came to pass ys flooded the ground when

inter, and made a small skat om which they reaped a ha mes; they made a vegetable the land in the spring, PORT HI per produce in a neighboring good price; and finally Set ther himself gave them twice the lot as they had paid at was just before graduation Agent, Lindsay Belleport Institute Saving and that it had accumulat ved in four years, by investm

terprise, five hundred dollars "It is too much money to st for fun !" Sidney Browne "That's so !" three or four "Who would ever have believed ald scrape in such a pile? ephen Smith. Then he leap surprised by the though me to him. "I'll tell you t

a do, fellows! Let's give d school a library!" I was agreed there and ther And now comes the oddest that is told of the whole e fourth nightbefore the aduation, Professor Harki ten of his class were up in t om which had been used as the vere all busy until a lat lecting the printed invitation ge number to be invited to t ung exercises. The door was erybody was sure of that after one entered or went out except the Professor, th and a pet monkey belon Professor. But, one

other, the Professor lost in th tive-hundred-dollar bill wi had handed over to him. anged for him to keep it u ent came, in the graduation when Stephen Smith the superintendent

day-secool by presenting it Professor did not discov until the following day. was much consternation the entire school, but the ele, was excited before dark loss. The only idea the Pr