

AT GREYSTONE.

A Graphic Description of the Home of Samuel J. Tilden.

The Grand Panorama to be Seen From the Tower--The Lawns and Grounds Surrounding the Castle.

[New York Journal.]

Probably the most prominent point just at present along the lower Hudson is Greystone, the home of Samuel J. Tilden. Nearly all the editors of the Democratic state press have found their way to Greystone and many frequent visitors, taking such advice and instructions as the sage may see fit to give them.

Greystone consists of fifty-five acres of fine rolling ground on the east bank of the Hudson, sixteen miles from the New York city hall. It has a frontage of 1,900 feet on the river bank, and extends for three-quarters of a mile toward the rolling island country.

A GRAND PANORAMA.

A powerful glass in the tower commanded a view of a radius of many miles around Greystone. To the south the eye follows the winding Hudson to New York bay and for some distance beyond Sandy Hook. Many points of prominence in New York city may be distinctly recognized.

THE CASTLE AND GROUNDS.

Upward of \$100,000 have been spent on the Greystone estate since it came into the hands of Mr. Tilden. Every requisite for the health, comfort and pleasure of its occupants has been brought into it.

TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH. All modern improvements such as lighting, heating, burglar-alarms, telephone and telegraph have been brought into use.

THE FAMOUS ROADSTERS.

The lawns and grounds surrounding Greystone are laid out with the greatest care, and are under the charge of one of the most thoroughly skilled landscape gardeners of the age.

The carriage house is large and stocked with all kinds of vehicles from the mammoth family coach highly finished and furnished to the open basket phaeton.

But Not Forgotten. An Austin German professor is so absent-minded that he recently sent himself a birthday card, upon the reception of which he exclaimed: "So this is from my dear friend Buttsengeier. God bless him--he has not forgotten me."

The Passion for Art Oddities.

[New York Sun.]

"Do I consider the taste for oddities a healthy one? Not when it is carried as far as it is by those who make it a specialty. I had a customer once whose taste in art was ruined by his fancy in this direction.

"A man I used to sell old snuff-boxes to dates his passion for art oddities from the time I sold him a large metal bowl, which he still regards as the gem of his collection.

"This person had an old punch-bowl of Yungching ware, on the edges of which there sat astride a number of curious figures in various stages of intoxication.

"Another of my old customers cared most for oddities which included some kind of a battle. He had a funny thing called 'Dwarfs Fighting.'

The Aesthetics of Electricity.

[Demorest's Monthly.]

In ordinary lights the directions of the flame is always upward, but electrical illumination is not confined by any limits.

Another device is called the umbrella light, in which the lamps are arranged in a circle located beneath a shining reflector.

The Foreign Trade with China.

[San Francisco Chronicle.]

China's foreign trade for 1882 was \$160,960,000, of which England's share was \$58,220,000, or, if we add to this the value of the trade with Hongkong, India, the Australian and other British colonies.

A Mixed Quotation. A country clergyman who recently preached in an Austin church is an admirer of the writings of Charles Dickens, and quotes from his novels almost as often as he does from the bible.

What Paris Ate.

[Chicago Herald.]

Paris last year ate 6,000,000 chickens and 250,000,000 eggs. The frogs couldn't be counted. To wash down these and other kinds of solid food 1,000,000 gallons of wine was used.

Flung by a "Byke." What's the matter with Johnny? "Sure, ma'am, the bye's sick. He tumbled off wan of them wheels without a carriage to it."

THE BLUE WART.

An Inquiring Young Mind Fastens Itself upon the School-Ma'am's Infirmity.

[Arkansas Traveler.]

Young Mulkittle went to school for the first time the other day. He had been carried through a "course of sprouts" at home to prepare him for the heavier duties of school life.

"Now, Miss Ray," said Mrs. Mulkittle, when she presented the boy to the teacher, "I want you to make him mind you. I don't think that you will find him self-willed.

"Well, I will leave him with you, Miss Ray. Willie, be a good boy."

"Yessum."

"Come here my little man, and let me see how far you are advanced," said Miss Ray, when Mrs. Mulkittle had gone.

"I'm way past Baker, an' Shady, an' Lady," said the boy, when Miss Ray opened a spelling book. "I can read and write easy words."

"What's that on your nose?"

"You can read some, can you?" asked Miss Ray, pretending not to have heard the boy's question.

"Yes, some. What's that on your nose?"

"It's a wart. Now pay attention to me."

"You know it's blue, don't you?"

"Does it hurt?"

"Why don't you pick it?"

"Now look here. Why don't you pull that hair out of it. No, it ain't a hair. I thought it was."

"How long has the wart been there?"

"Ever since I can remember," replied Miss Ray, settling herself back with calm consideration.

"Will it always be blue?"

"I think so."

"Why haven't you?"

"Because I haven't."

"Why because you haven't?"

"You are enough to run a person crazy."

"It keeps you from getting married, don't it?"

"You leave here this minute, you good-for-nothing little rascal. Go on, and don't you come back here again."

A Letter From Bill Nye.

The following letter from Mr. Nye, which we take the liberty to publish, corrects an error in a manner so characteristic that it will be of interest to every reader.

Proposed Political Innovation.

In our opinion, a popular leader would render his country no inconsiderable service by breaking through the absurd custom of a hundred years, and presenting himself for election in a district where he did not reside.

The Way of the World.

"I suppose the time will come," said Gen. Sherman in Cincinnati the other day, "when we decrepit old men will be hauled around in carriages and shown as relics. It's the way of the world."

A stitch in Time must make the old chap feel sew-sew.



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