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BJORNSON, POET AND NOVELIST

Career of Norway's Famous Reformer and Dramatist.

ACTIVE LEADER IN PATRIOTISM

Challenged Late King Oscar to a Duel, Was Imprisoned and Escaped-Enof the North.

Dec. 8, 1832, in the parish of Quichne, in northern Norway. His early life was spent in some of the wildest and most romantic parts of Norway, the scenes of which made a deep impression upon his mind and which have to a large extent colored many of his successful writings. More than a writer, Bjornson endeared himself to his countrymen for his outspoken independence, his radical political ideas and the many popular movements which he led toward reviving a more widespread sentiment of national life in his land. A Frenchman early called him the Hugo of the north, and the English styled him "Norway's grand old man." After studying in the gymnasium at Christiania to prepare for the university, which, like Ibsen, he failed to enter, he became a newspaper reporter and at the age of twenty wrote his first drama, "Walborg," which was accepted at the National theater and paid for; but, although needing the money badly, he handed it back, doubting the merits of his own work.

Norway's Patriotic Leader.

Always energetic in action, he began the agitation in 1853, when only twenty-one years of age, to banish the Danish language from Norway and encourage the use of the native tongue in the newspapers, in literature, upon the stage and elsewhere. Two years later Ibsen joined the movement with zest, and from that time Bjornson was recognized as the patriotic leader in Norway.

His most valuable achievement in this respect was the writing of the Norwegian national hymn in 1859, "Ja, VI Elsker Dette Laudet" ("Yes, We Love This Country"). On May 17, the day on which the Norwegians adopted their present constitution in 1814, the national festival, instituted by Bjornson, is celebrated and partakes of very much the same spirit as characterizes our Fourth of July. A little later he aroused the hostility of the Swedes by leading the movement which resulted in the removal of the Swedish emblem from the Norwegian flag, although the Norwegian emblem still remains upon the Swedish flag.

Challenged King Oscar to a Duel. Bjornson's independence did not stop short of occasionally criticising the late King Oscar, and, as showing his radical republican ideas, the story is told of how he once remarked to the

king that if he would abdicate the

se he might attain higher bonor way. It is said the king took it as a joke, but in Sweden it served to intensify Bjornson's unpopularity. Still again, shortly after the king had decorated the author with a cross of honor, Bjornson had the audacity to challenge his majesty to a duel, due to a criticism that Bjornson learned the king had made regarding one of his works. The supreme court construed this as lese majesty and condemned the writer to a year in prison, but he escaped to Germany and did not return to Norway for several years.

As the president of the Students' society in Christiania in 1869 Bjornson attained fresh distinction as un orator of pronounced ability, and in 1881 be are now being thinned in this valley visited the United States, delivering many lectures. Upon his return he purchased his farm at Aulestad, among the mountains of central Norway, and there, with the exception of several years spent in Germany, France and the Tyrol, he spent the greater part of ters have slightly damaged the stand his time, living a simple although acon the Hall ranch, near Union. Other- tive life among the peasantry whose life and character he has ably describ-

Director of National Theater.

As a successful dramatist Bjornson early attained distinction, and for a number of years he was director of workmen to properly handle the thin- the National theater. In his poems he ning, have been set to work on both finds the accents and forms of the old ends of the Grande Ronde valley and popular songs so well that his counall possible care and attention will trymen could repeat them almost without learning them, like some old airs The grain fields which the company their children. All his so called village they had known and transmitted to is this year growing totals 2000 stories enjoyed prodigious popularity. crops of the valley, are indicating tablished by his idyls, "Arne" and "Synnove Solbakken," while among his successful dramas were "Hulda," "Between the Battles," "King Swerre," the trilogy of "Sligard Slembe" and his tragedy of "Marie Stuart In Scotland." His "Poems and Songs" appeared in 1870, "Sigurd" in 1872, which at once took its place among the classical masterpieces, and "Bruder-Staaten" in 1873, followed in later years by his

Way" and "The Heritage of the Kurts." All of his more prominent works have been translated into English and other languages. A Poverty Stricken Queen. Partly owing to the fact that she was wedded to an avaricious king and partly because she was generous with the little money allowed her Elizabeth of York, queen of Henry VII., spent but a small amount for dress. She was very often in debt, and the sums she spent were ridiculously deared to Countrymen For His In-dependence—Was Called the Huge est amount expended t any one time,

own two powerful novels, "In God's

Her gowns were mended and turned, and new waists were made for them, Bjornstjerne Bjornson, the Norwegian as is shown by the record of bills pald poet, poyellst and dramatist, reformer to her tailor. These bills prove that and advocate of universal peace, who she wore her clothes for a long time, for her gowns were obliged to be new called by Norwegians and others the ly hemmed, and also that, though a greatest of Norwegians. He was born princess of the great house of Plantagenet, she wore shoes costing but 24 cents, which were decorated with tin buckles!

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