

SCANDINAVIAN NEWS.

Has Been Nineteen Years a King.

NOTES FROM THE FAR NORTH.

The Whisky King of Sweden Dangerously Ill—Latest Election News in Norway—Death of a Lutheran Clergyman.

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 11.—September 18th King Oscar had been the ruler of Sweden-Norway during 19 years.

Six hundred and eighteen persons emigrated to America September 19 by way of Copenhagen.

Mr. Halsey C. Ives, connected with the art exposition of the Columbian Fair, is at present staying in Copenhagen, where he tries to awake interest for the great event.

It is said that the restoration of the Skara cathedral will cost at least 500,000 crowns.

The socialists of the Catharina parish of Stockholm have organized a Sunday school.

Their golden wedding was celebrated the other day in Stockholm by P. M. F. Lindberg, the well known printer of Nykoping, and his wife.

L. O. Smith, the famous whiskey king of Sweden, is at present staying in Spain. He is dangerously ill and his death is expected at any moment.

The three sons of the Swedish crown prince, who are respectively 9, 7, and 2 years of age, have 15 "bachelor" rooms at their disposal.

C. F. Tjulander, a deceased wholesale merchant, donated 150,000 for charitable purposes.

A home for paupers has been erected in Gelle. All the expenses have been paid by the wholesale merchant Kronberg and his wife.

The export of oats was 148,272,000 kilograms during the first eight months of the present year as compared with only 12,800,000 kilograms during the same time in 1890.

The great picture of the German imperial yacht Hohenzollern, painted by Captain Herman, of Sillen, of the Swedish navy, has been bought by Kaiser Wilhelm. The price paid is not known.

A 74-year-old farmer is to marry a 16-year-old girl in the province of Kalmars. Only 5.9 per cent. of the population of Sweden have a right to vote.

During the last 14 years the number of bank defaulters in Sweden was 22, and their embezzlements amounted to \$459,523.

The suffrage clubs of Sweden hold—at least most of them—their business meetings on Sunday.

NORWAY.

CHRISTIANIA, Oct. 11.—Bjornstjerne Bjornson is without doubt the man who has the greatest power in all Norway.

Snow was falling September 25 at Christiania and many other places in Southern Norway.

Electric street cars will probably be seen in Christiania two or three years from now. A project has been started for the "system" in several German cities.

Eight thousand tourists visited Odde in Hardanger during the last summer. A fisherman caught 200 mackerels the other night not very far from Langsund.

Three sons of a family in Trysil are married with three sisters of another family living in the neighborhood.

Norway has 11 public asylums for the confinement and treatment of persons suffering with mental diseases. Besides these there are numerous private asylums under public control.

Henrik Ibsen's presence in Christiania seems to excite almost as much interest as the political campaign now in full blast. He is the hero of the day, and every opportunity is seized to tender him a sincere homage.

The latest election news are as follows: Sept. 17 the elections had resulted in the choice of 38 members of the Storting, just one third of the membership of that body.

Of these 22 are Liberals, 11 Moderates and five Conservatives, as compared with 12 Liberals, five Conservatives and 21 Moderates returned by the same districts at the elections previous to this.

The Liberal victory that at Christiania is the most decisive, the Liberals electing their ticket and reducing the old Conservative vote with more than 200.

The registered vote of Christiania is 6428.—The Liberal club of Thronhjem has now 600 members.—Bjornstjerne Bjornson traveled during three days through Soler delivering political addresses to very large and appreciative audiences.

Women met almost as numerous as men.—Among the notables elected are Johan Sverdrup and Jakob Sverdrup. Both have been elected by Conservatives, and next Storting will witness Johan Sverdrup, his uncle, leader of former days, trying to defeat the Liberal measures now pending.

DENMARK.

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 11.—During August 1124 Danes emigrated to America.

"Heimdal" is the name of a new cruiser of the third class which is being built at the government yard.

The Bulgarian who handed a petition to the Czar in the streets of Copenhagen has been sent to Germany per order of the chief of police of St. Petersburg.

The City Council of Frederikshavn has resolved to contribute \$12,000 to the Venlyssel railroad.

At Hjorring people have commenced to make bread from a mixture of rye flour and corn meal.

The winter grain has been reaped and stacked in good condition all over the country, and the bread from this year's rye proves to be better than was expected. The spring grain is in good condition, and part of it is out of all danger from the weather. The turnips yield a good crop. The potato crop has suffered from excessive rain.

FINLAND.

VIMBO, Oct. 11.—Rev. Herman Ludvig Holmberg, of Orenmark, one of the most prominent clergymen and religious speakers of Finland, is dead.

A stone bridge 450 feet long has been built over the Gertrud river between the Engmo and Larsmo islands.

Gabriel Salde, of Pottola, was murdered by Henrik Seppala, his uncle, the other day. Seppala was arrested.

Captain Frans Vilhelm Lundroos, of Tammerfors, committed suicide by shooting himself. No cause is given.

Rev. Josef Vilhelm Durckman, of Ruovesi, died at the advanced age of 85 years. He was a very prominent Lutheran clergyman.

PITTSBURG PHIL.

The Remarkable Career of a Young Pittsburg Plumber.

Mr. George E. Smith, a young man who resides at Pittsburg, Pa., has developed into perhaps the most remarkable man in the American time. On September 30 he won \$100,000 in the Sapphire stakes at Sheephead Bay. The winnings of the various turf plungers have been greatly exaggerated, but it has been definitely ascertained that Pittsburg Phil really won not less than the sum named.



GEORGE E. SMITH.

This young Pennsylvanian, who is 30 years of age, abandoned a salary of \$10 per week in the city of Pittsburg to patronize the turf. He is one of the coolest plungers that have ever followed the race tracks. He has suffered the reverse of fortune with which all gamblers are familiar, and it is said that his recent winnings at Sheephead Bay will not much more than make good his losses on other occasions.

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The Hinges Melted and the Doors Had to be Opened With Cold Chisels.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 17.—On the express train wrecked near Steubenville, Ohio, this morning, were six Adams express sales containing thousands of dollars in coin, valuable papers and some jewelry.

These sales are supposed to be fire and burglar proof. They are about a foot wide and two feet long, but even when empty it takes two men to lift one.

When pulled from the rains they were glowing with heat, and water had to be turned on to make it possible to handle them. When they arrived at Pittsburg an effort was made to open one but it could not be unlocked. The locks and hinges on the lid had melted and then cooled in solid masses. Cold chisels were procured and a hole cut through the side. The interior was most reluctantly a stream of water was turned on for five minutes. All the papers were apparently ruined to a crisp.

The officials decided not to tamper with the remaining five sales. The entire wreck was sent to the treasury department at Washington, as they contained large sums of money which probably destroyed and for which the company will endeavor to secure reimbursement.

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Demands "Redress" of Sheriff Price For the "Wrong Done Him."

Reed, the bogus timber land locator, whose victims number several hundred and who is now in jail at Eugene City, Ore., has another man after him.

J. A. W. Elsey, of Ogden Little River, Arkansas, visited the city in November last. He stopped at the Portland hotel, where he met Reed. Reed persuaded him into the belief that timber lands were to be sold for the asking and got him to go back to his home and work up a colony. Elsey did so and sent fees of 46 men, aggregating over \$600, to Reed, since which time he has never heard from him. He writes to Sheriff Price demanding redress for the wrong done him by a citizen of this State.

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