

NORMANNAHEIMEN

TRIBUTE IS PAID TO KING HARALD

ALL CHRISTIANIA HELPS UNVEIL HANDSOME MONUMENT.

Gigantic Stone, Commemorative of Illustrious Soldier-Ruler Who Laid Foundation of Norway's Capital Bared by Proud People—Bright Babe Is Heir to New Throne—Other News of Interest to Scandinavian People.



CROWN PRINCE ALEXANDER, Heir to the Throne of Norway.

Christiania, the metropolis and capital of Norway, had big celebration all by itself on Oct. 26, the occasion being the unveiling of the monument to Harald Haardraade, one of the greatest of the viking kings of Norway and the founder of Oslo, which was the nucleus of modern Christiania. The entire city took a holiday and an immense multitude gathered at Harald Haardraade's place. Professor Yngvar Nielsen delivered the principal address and presented the monument to the city. The monument is a huge rough-hewn rock or bauta in which a monster copper plate, showing in bas relief King Harald mounted on a splendid horse, and followed by his army. The monument is surrounded by a circle of rough hewn stones. The design is by L. Utne, the Norwegian sculptor. Harald Haardraade was the most traveled of all the Norwegian kings. As a boy of tender age he fought at the side of his half-brother, Olaf, the holy

warrior, as the sun shines clear and bright on the glittering levels of the lagoon that divide the new town from the old. Across the water, on which a fleet of white ferries ply, rises the broad front of the palace, the stern outline of which is relieved by the russet work in front of the palace runs a broad quay crowded with shipping, behind which one may catch peeps of narrow, winding streets, with sloping roofs and painted houses bent with age. The square front of the palace rises above the red and gray roofs, seeming to command the old city. On my right the waters narrow to a swift-running stream, over which a stately bridge has been thrown, uniting the palace with the picturesque pile of the opera-house, or rather with the broad square in front of it. Behind the opera-house lie broad streets of modern houses, in which there are unexpected glimpses of waterways crowded with shipping.

Sweden Is Wealthy.

According to the latest available figures, the taxable value of real estate in Sweden, with improvements, is 5,300,015,450 kroner, of which three-fifths is outside of the cities. These figures are for the close of the year 1903, and show an increase over the previous year of more than six hundred million kroner.

Bjornson's Son Coming.

Erling Bjornson, a son of Norway's famous poet and patriot, has left Norway for a tour of America, in which he will give readings from his father's works. He will first make a short tour of Denmark, and will not arrive in America until some time in December.

Big Forgeries in Stockholm.

Stockholm is much interested in the disclosures of a series of forgeries by Messrs. Brynolf and Silfverling, by which commercial paper aggregating more than a million kroner was circulated. Brynolf is the son of a wealthy capitalist, whose name he forged to

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was. He was in the famous battle of Stiklestad, and lost his own life in the fight at Stamford bridge in England. This struggle paved the way for the conquest of England by William the Conqueror, a few weeks later.

Becomes a King.

After the battle of Stiklestad Harald fled from the country, followed by an army of Olaf's warriors. They made their way to Gardarike (Russia), and after following a soldier's profession for a time, Harald went to Byzantium with 500 men, who took service with the emperor of the east. In Greek history Harald is known as Harald. He became a great military leader and when not in the field was chief of the emperor's life guard.

Sixteen years after he fled from the country, Harald returned to Norway. Magnus, the good (Good), took Harald with him as co-ruler in 1046, and two years later, when Magnus died, Harald became the sole king. He secured peace for the country by banishing or killing the powerful chieftains such as Einar Tambeke. He greatly reduced the power of the king, encouraged trade and shipping, and accomplished much good for his country.

It was Harald's plan to conquer Denmark and England and make Norway the center of a mighty northern empire. Several battles were fought with King Svein of Denmark in which the latter was invariably defeated, but the defeats were not decisive and finally peace was made by which Harald ceded his claims to the Danish throne.

Falls in Battle.

Duke William of Normandy felt himself entitled to the throne of England after the death of King Edward, but did not feel strong enough to give battle to King Harold. Earl Tostig, a brother of King Harold, came to Oslo and laid before Harald Haardraade plans for the conquest of England. William promised to restore to Norway the former province of Northumbria, but it is generally accepted that the two men intended to take England themselves.

King Harold and Tostig entered England from the north while Duke William was on the south coast. The Norwegian army swept all before it until it reached Stamford bridge, where King Harold made his last stand. It was a bloody battle and the Norwegians were defeated. Three weeks later William landed. With his shattered army and impoverished country Harold was no match for the fresh, strong army of William and fell an easy victim. William reaped the fruits of Harald Haardraade's long series of victories and gained what in time became the mightiest empire of the world.

NORWAY'S CROWN PRINCE

A Bright Babe of Only 2 Years Is Heir to the Throne.

Norway's crown prince is Prince Alexander, the only child of King Karl and Queen Maud. He is a stone-birthed child of 2 years, having been born on July 2, 1903. He is the grandson of King Edward of England, a great-grandson of King Christian of Denmark and through his grandmother, Crown Princess Louise of Denmark, is a great-grandson of Karl XV. of Sweden and Norway. His immediate relatives sit on the thrones of Russia and Greece, and he can trace his ancestry back in five different lines to the viking kings of Norway and to Harald the "Fair-haired" who first united the country under one rule.

UNITY IN SCANDINAVIA

Leading Swedish Papers Contend for Joint Foreign Policy.

Gothenburg's Handfasting, one of the most influential papers in Sweden, takes the position that there should be

of the ten-year peace period guaranteed by the Karistad treaty, the majority do not give such an important thought and are more than willing to join an alliance with the neighboring kingdoms.

NO DANGER IN RELATIONSHIP

Alliances or Hostilities Entirely Without Question Despite Lineage.

There has been some comment in Germany and Russia upon the prospect that one of these days, not far away, there will be reigning at the two sides of the narrow seas between the Baltic and the Atlantic a father and his son, the one a brother-in-law and the other a son-in-law of the king of England, says the New York Tribune. It is not to be supposed, however, that in that circumstance there will be the least menace to German or Russian interests in those waters.

For one thing, the narrow part of those seas is between Denmark and Sweden, and not between Denmark and Norway, and for another, these prospective kings are also relatives of the German and Russian emperors. Indeed, the reigning families of Great Britain, Germany, Russia, Denmark and Sweden are all inextricably intermingled, by birth and by marriage, so that talk of either alliances or hostilities among them on family grounds may be regarded as vain. As for this stalwart scion of a mighty stock, he will doubtless prove to be a worthy successor of the Haakonians and Olafs of old, and as such is to be welcomed to the throne of the Vikings.

STOCKHOLM CAPTIVATES.

American Enthusiastic over the Beauties of Sweden's Capital.

An American tourist traveling in Sweden was quite captivated by the beauties of Stockholm and sent to his home paper the following glowing description of Sweden's capital: "The sky has an almost Italian radi-

whatever notes and checks Silfverling demanded. Brynolf was the voracious and reckless Silfverling, who bought property right and left and lived in elegant style. The former has confessed everything.

PRICE OF TWO ANGELS

Incidentally Illustrating the English Idea of Humor.

London Mail. At Shore-ditch yesterday one undertaker sued another for funeral furnishings supplied during a "rush" of business. The defendant's counsel—I see in your bill you charge two angels, 2s. The Plaintiff—Yes, and cheap, too. (Laughter.) Counsel—Yes, I should rather imagine they were. The Plaintiff—But I dare say I could manage some more at the same price for you. Counsel—No, thanks, no; don't trouble. (Loud Laughter.)

A POKE AT HIM.

Philadelphia Press. "Professor," said Mr. Richley, after paying the bill of the specialist who had been coaching young Richley for college, "do you believe in Pythagoras' theory of the transmigration of souls?" "Most assuredly not!" replied the other. "Why?" "I was going to say if there were anything in that theory you'd probably be a warhorse after death; you're such a good charger."

STOPPING THE SUPPLY.

Philadelphia Press. Citiman—Hello, old man! Got your new cook still? Subbubs—No, I haven't got her still, but I've got her bottle; found it hidden in the cellar, and she's sober just at present.

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