

SCANDINAVIAN NEWS

Interesting Notes From Across the Ocean.

HAPPENINGS IN THE FATHERLAND.

Principal Events That Have Occurred in the Old Countries About the North Sea Within a Week or So Just Past.

SWEDEN.

Mrs. S., the wife of the agent at a railway station in Vestergetland, stayed away from home a few days. During her absence her husband tried his best to serve both as man and wife, and he succeeded fairly well. His cow, however, was so afraid of the entire masculine sex of the human race that she would permit no man to tend to her. Time and again Mr. S. tried to milk her, but it was only a waste of time and a few drops of milk. One day the idea struck him that he might try to cover up his manhood by denning his wife's dress. The ruse worked like a charm. But when he had fairly started to milk the cow he heard the whistle of an approaching train. Scarcely knowing what he was doing he grasps the flag, ran to the platform and signalled the train to stop. The passengers were astonished at the apparition on the platform, a station agent wearing a woman's dress and holding a flag in one hand and a milk pail in the other. Not until a roar of laughter rose from the passengers did he realize what a queer figure he was cutting.

The late Rev. Kock, of Bjernarp, still lives in the memory of his poor parishioners on account of his generosity. The following incidents will suffice to bring out that side of his character. While driving along the road on a very cold day he overtook a man who was so poorly clad that he evidently suffered from the inclemency of the weather. The clergyman stopped his horse, spoke a few kind words to the man, pulled off his own overcoat and handed it to him. On another occasion he overtook a man who was walking barefoot in the snow, and without any hesitancy he pulled off his boots and gave them to the man, himself using only his rubbers during the rest of the journey. Once Rev. Kock ran across a poor man just as he was taking a loaf of bread from the pantry at the parsonage. The man started to run. Rev. Kock said to him, "Come here, my friend." The man was so terrified that he dropped the bread and fled as if struck by lightning. Having told the poor man in a kindly manner that he should not make himself guilty of theft, the minister added, "Take the bread with you, and in order that you shall not be compelled to eat dry bread you better take this piece of pork, too," whereupon he handed the would-be thief a big piece of smoked bacon. From this very moment the latter became a sober man and a faithful supporter of his family.

Fire broke out in the Njurunda church in the middle of the night and destroyed a large part of the furniture before the fire was noticed. The building had just undergone a reconstruction, and it was insured for \$40,000.

Crown Princess Victoria is spending the most severe part of the winter in Rome. Her health is delicate, and she stays in the open air as much as possible.

King Edward VII. has decorated the crown prince of Sweden and Norway with the honorary cross of the order of Bath. The king awarded a gold medal to G. A. Svedin, who holds a prominent position at Carl Gustafstad gun factory. The inscription reads: "For zeal and honesty in the service of the kingdom." But the medal was returned with the explanation: "I cannot do anything but decline this gift, for the simple reason that I do not think I need any external stamp to indicate either my zeal or honesty; for I am perfectly contented with the testimony of my own conscience that I have served faithfully during a period of almost 40 years; and I am sure that no one who knows me will dispute my assertion."

Adelina Patti-Cederstrom will appear on the stage next spring for the first time after her marriage, having promised to sing at Comedie Francaise on the occasion of a benefit concert to M. Boucher, who is to withdraw from the stage.

The Alger Projectile Manufacturing company has purchased the property of the Lanua Manufacturing company. The amount paid is \$75,000, and the deal covers about 4,000 acres of land.

NORWAY.

The Paris correspondent of the Goteberg Handelstidning, who recently paid a visit to Bjornstjerne Bjornson at the French capital, writes that the latter has put the finishing touches to his great work, "Laboremus," which is to appear simultaneously in French and German. According to the same authority, Bjornson is now contemplating the publication of a great international review in the interest of the peace movement, the paper to be issued simultaneously in Paris, Berlin and London. According to his notion the paper should contain reading matter of different kinds, like the existing magazines, but the whole paper should be borne on the principle of universal peace as a strong and steady undercurrent. The folios of war would receive a goodly share of the attention of the editors of the paper, and the civilization of the smaller states would be discussed. Bjornson thinks it might be proper to devote some of the great Nobel prizes to the publication of such a magazine.

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The field maneuvers of the present year will take place next August in the vicinity of Trondhjem. No soldiers living south of the Dovre mountains shall participate in these maneuvers.

LEGISLATIVE GOSSIP

Our Special Correspondent Tells of the Solons' Doings.

Bills are Being Rapidly Introduced and Sent on Their Way by the Committee of the Whole. But Few Have Become Laws.

St. Paul, March 8.—A bill was offered in the senate for the relief of divorced wives. If alimony has been awarded the wife which is insufficient to support herself and children, the court may allow her additional alimony, not exceeding one-third of the personal property and real estate of her husband. This does not apply if the woman has been found guilty of adultery.

There is a great deal of trouble over the drainage bills, there being two or three pending in each house and a new one was offered in the senate yesterday. The trouble is that there is not money enough to drain all the lands that require it and each member wants to secure his share of the funds for his district. As some districts will have to be left out entirely it makes the contest over the bills a hot one. The senate unanimously passed the bill granting \$1,000,000 extra for completing the state capital.

There is to be a big fight over the reapportionment of the congressional districts. Hennepin county is the storm center. It wants Hennepin county divided on the river, placing East Minneapolis in a separate district with Chicago, Kanabec, Isanti, Anoka, Miller, Benton, Sherburne, Wright and Stearns counties to make a district. The west side of Hennepin county is to be another district so that Minneapolis could have two members of congress if the outside counties would permit her to take the candidate on the East Side.

The house appropriated \$20,000 for the Pan-American exposition display from Minnesota passed the house under suspension of the rules. Another drainage bill was offered in the house. Each senator and representative from northern Minnesota needs to introduce a drainage bill, or else his constituents will get left.

St. Paul, March 9.—The oil inspection bill has passed the senate, with an amendment delaying its taking effect until after the term of the present incumbent (Fred Schiffman) expires. The author of the bill, Representative Hurd, was after Schiffman's scalp, and consequently, while he gets the bill the other fellow gets the game. The Hastings and Anoka incineration asylums cropped up in the shape of a bill appropriating \$200,000 for new buildings.

The bill allowing life prisoners to be paroled from the penitentiary has passed the house. The friends of the bill made no concealment of the fact that it was designed to release the Younger brothers. As the senate two years ago refused to pass a somewhat similar bill, there is no certainty that the proposed act will become a law.

Hennepin county received a backset in the house. The new reapportionment bill proposed by Hennepin county, putting the east and west portions of Hennepin county in separate congressional districts, was voted down, and the original bill, as reported by the committee, was passed by 82 to 31.

At the session of the senate the committee bill was also passed, with one or two inconsequential amendments. It is ominous that the house refuses to pass the senate resolution for an adjournment on April 5. Action has been postponed for a week in order to force the senate to pass house bills, and when the week is up some other excuse will probably be found for further postponement.

St. Paul, March 11.—The senate seems to have waked up to the fact that the medical fraternity are asking altogether too much, and consequently killed off a lot of their bills. They have been asking regulations on almost everything, with a view of keeping new men from entering the profession.

The senate passed the house bill appropriating \$20,000 for the display of Minnesota products at the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo. There are three commissioners and a superintendent to attend to the disbursement.

The reapportionment bill was changed a just a trifle in the senate, and now it has gone to a conference committee to see if the two houses can be brought together. The house seems a little obstinate and determined to stick to its original bill.

The usual baking powder bill bobbed up in the house. It requires all the ingredients to be printed in plain English on the label placed upon each package, and imposes a maximum fine of \$100 or imprisonment for 30 days for violation of the law.

The effort to repeal the corrupt practices act failed, and the bill to do so was indefinitely postponed.

St. Paul, March 12.—Legislative proceedings yesterday had no element of interest. The senate session began at 2 p. m., but no business of public concern transpired.

At the morning session of the house the Unland bill, providing that divorced persons shall not re-marry until six months after decree, passed, re-

First Doubt of Her Love. She (as her lover is about to start on a journey round the world)—My dear Adolf, will you be true to me when you are far away? Promise me that you will write to me from every town you visit and tell me—Oh, Adolf, is it when I prompt you to say this? Ada, swear to me, do you really love me, or are you merely collecting foreign postage stamps?—Stray Stories.

Kind of the Kid. Jones—Come, be honest; when you have to talk the baby don't you swear a little? Smith—Possibly, but then the baby makes such a noise when he is crying that nobody can hear me.—Boston Transcript.

Friendly Criticism. Artist—I painted that picture to keep the wolf from the door. Friend—Well, hang it on the outside doorknob, and the wolf won't trouble you.—Chicago Daily News.

The Dashing Explorer. Polar Explorer—What shall I call my new book? "A Dash for the Pole?" Publisher—No. Call it "A Dash for the Pole."—Baltimore American.

Was Done. Struck—I suppose while you were in Paris you did as the Parisians do? French—(both)—Do you mean to call me a robber?—Puck.

Bits of Personality. Senators Tillman and Wolcott are the only left-handed men in the senate. The only undertaker in the United States senate is Mr. Warren, of Wyoming, whose place of business is in Cheyenne.

Senator Stewart, of Nevada, has never been shaved. His beard, the most luxuriant in the senate, began to sprout when he was 16 years old; he is now 75.

Emperor William has officially conferred the honorary doctorate recently conferred upon United States Ambassador White by the Berlin Academy of Science.

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Chicago, March 11.—A storm of wind, rain and sleet played havoc with telephone and telegraph wires and poles in this city Saturday night. All suburban lines of the Chicago Telephone company were put out of service. The damage to property is estimated at \$240,000.

Owensboro, Ky., March 11.—A cloud-burst here Saturday night did great damage. The streets in many places were washed out threatening many buildings.

BURN NEGRO MURDERER. Vengeance of a Mob Upon a Colored Brute at Corsicana, Tex.—Coroner's Remarkable Verdict.

Corsicana, Tex., March 14.—John Henderson, the negro who outraged and murdered Mrs. Younger several days ago, after making a complete confession, was burned at the stake Wednesday by a mob in the presence of more than 5,000 persons.

Henderson had been taken to Hillsboro in fear of the mob that gathered in this city soon after his arrest.

Tuesday night the officers in charge of the negro started to take him to Fort Worth for safety. When the train reached Itasca the officers were overpowered and the negro taken from them by the citizens of the county, who had gone there for that purpose. Henderson was then brought here, and with proof of his guilt he confessed.

A committee that had been appointed to see the accused secured the following confession from Henderson, which was signed and attested by Justice of the Peace G. A. Roberts:

"I, John Henderson, colored, 22 years old, murdered an unknown white lady three miles north of Corsicana the 8th of March, 1901. There was no one present but myself, the woman and two little children. I murdered her and left her in the house without any intention of robbing her. I don't know why I did it. (Signed) 'JOHN HENDERSON.'"

At one o'clock Wednesday Justice H. G. Roberts held an inquest over the remains of Henderson and gave the following verdict:

"I find that the deceased came to his just death at the hands of the incensed and outrageous feelings of the best people in the United States, the citizens of Navarro and adjoining counties. The evidence, as well as the confession of guilt by the accused, shows that his punishment was fully merited and commendable."

"Given under my hand and seal of office as Coroner, Tex., this 13th day of March, 1901. (Signed) 'H. G. ROBERTS, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1, Navarro County, and Acting Coroner.'"

A BOILER BURSTS. Terrible Explosion in a Laundry in Chicago Kills Eight and Injures Scores.

Chicago, March 12.—By the terrific explosion of an old second-hand boiler that had been inspected only once in four years the Doremus laundry building at 458 West Madison street was blown to pieces shortly after eight o'clock Monday morning. Nearly two score persons were buried in the debris. Eight bodies taken from the ruins are at the county morgue, while the injured list runs well up toward 50. Eight persons are still missing, and their bodies are supposed to be in the ruins. Abraham F. Doremus, general manager of the laundry, is in the hands of the police. The dead are George Pihl, Catherine Kelly, Minnie Olson, Frank Hanemann, Bessie Kubacka, Katherine Voss, Martha Jokubi, Emma Sebreska.

The Doremus laundry was one of the substandard of the Sanitary Laundry company. It was on the south side of Madison street, between Loomis and Throop streets, and 65 persons, mostly women, were employed in the establishment. As near as could be learned all but four or five of the employees were at their places at eight o'clock.

The shock of the explosion was felt for nearly a mile in every direction. Buildings on both sides of Madison street, in Throop street and Waverly place were shaken to their foundations. Scores of plate glass windows were shattered, while the sashes of smaller windows were left without a piece of glass in them.

Senate Adjourns Six Die. Washington, March 11.—With an executive session of an hour and a quarter's duration the extra session of the senate called by President McKinley came to an end at 1:55 p. m. Saturday and an adjournment sine die was taken. The extra session covered six days and practically no business was transacted except that of an executive character, the president having summoned the senators solely for that purpose.

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A LITTLE NONSENSE.

Edna—"So you have accepted that young lawyer after all, after having refused him once?" May—"Yes, he appealed the case and won his suit."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

"Ever in amateur theatricals?" "Just once." "What part did you take?" "Me?" "I took all the abuse. I was stage manager, you see."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Bass—"I got some eggs of Mrs. Fowler for 15 cents a dozen. I praised her baby, you know." Fogg—"That's nothing. I bought some of Fowler for 13 cents. I spoke in admiration of his dog."—What to Eat.

"You are not a musician, I believe, Mr. Truboy?" "No," answered the honest man. "If I were proprietor of a hand organ, set expressly to play 'Old Hundred,' I couldn't get seventy-five out of it."—Kansas City Star.

Diner—"Come, tell me straight. Is it any real advantage to a man who gives you a tip?" Truthful Waiter—"Honestly I can't say that it is, but it is apt to go hard with the gentleman that doesn't tip me."—Kansas City Star.

"What do you mean by having a woman's letter in your coat pocket?" his wife inquired sternly. For a moment his face went white. Then a shadow of relief chased it away. "Oh my word, Maria, I forgot to mail it for you."—Philadelphia Times.

Mr. Newliver—"So you've been buying more useless truck? We have absolutely no use for those curtains. Haven't I told you to stop buying things just because they were cheap?" Mrs. Newliver—"Yes, my dear; and I've obeyed you. Those curtains weren't at all cheap."—Philadelphia Record.

"Henry," said the woman who had given her husband a lovely combination writing table and sewing machine on his birthday, "I hope you haven't forgotten to-morrow will be my birthday." "No, dear," he replied. "I've bought you some cigars. The box will be useful to keep bobbins and buttons in."—Spore Moments.

TRICKS IN ALL TRADES. Lapidaries Who Substitute Stones and Gems That Are "Just as Good."

A Chicago jeweler was handed a New Mexico garnet the other day, with the request that he have it cut for a ring setting. Two days later he sent for his customer, and when the latter came said:

"I am afraid to have that stone cut." "Why?" "Well, I am not sure that what I give to the lapidary will be returned to me—he may substitute a stone." "How do you know?"

"I took your garnet to a lapidary with an order to cut it at once. He looked it over and then handed me a cut stone, with the remark that that would do in its place. Then I found out that this lapidary at least, if not others, when receiving a stone in the rough finds it cheaper to substitute an already cut stone of similar color than to cut the original."

The customer finally had the stone cut in carbuncle form for a pin, but to this day he is not satisfied that he received back the stone which he originally turned over to the lapidary, says the Times-Herald. In the matter of ordinary ring setting it is easy to make substitutions without it being possible for even an expert to know that the change has been effected. The owner of a garnet in the rough has no means of proving when it has been cut that it is the stone he first possessed. He takes the lapidary's word for it. Another trick which is quite common but not generally known to customers is that of substituting hair on customers who desire ornaments of hair made for brooches, pins or chains. A young man secures a lock of hair from his sweetheart and rushes off to have it made into one of those lovely watch chains that look like a centipede with a million legs. He lovingly hands the lock to the hair worker and in a week receives his ornament. But often he does not receive back the hair he gave. The hair worker buys his hair at wholesale. He makes it up into stock ornaments. He simply matches the hair he has received with something in stock—not a difficult matter—his work is completed and his bill ready for collection.

Of course, the customer knows no better, so the workman of easy conscience asks: "What is the difference?" There does not seem to be much—only the difference between honesty and dishonesty, and that is no more than the difference between black and white.

PARAFFIN FOR DEFORMITIES. Mixed with Vaseline, Vienna Dispatch Says, It Has Been Successfully Employed.

Prof. Robert Gersuny, one of the most eminent surgeons of Vienna, Austria, reports an important discovery which he has made. It consists in the use of a mixture of paraffin and vaseline in curing physical deformities and filling cavities caused by the removal of portions of the bones, says the Chicago American.

In a large number of experiments this treatment has proved perfectly successful. The mixture is injected beneath the epidermis at a temperature of 104 degrees. It hardens quickly and remains in position without the possibility of shifting. It does not irritate the surrounding parts, and is in no way harmful to the blood.

In a case where a part of the jaw was removed this injection filled out the hollowed cheek to a perfect contour. Another patient suffered from a defect in the palate, which caused an impediment in his speech. After an operation the malformation in the palate was corrected by the injection described and the speech became distinct.

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