

NEWS FROM SCANDINAVIA

Principal Events That Have Transpired in the Old Countries Within a Week or So.

DENMARK.

Elishop Frederik Nielsen of Aarhus died at the age of eighty.

The city council of Copenhagen has passed a resolution to enlarge the electric power plant at a cost of \$675,000.

About 1,000 veterans from Danish-German wars held a meeting at Aalborg and by a unanimous vote resolved to request the government to grant a bonus to the veterans of the war of 1864.

A man who was planting trees in Langeso forest, Odense, struck a bronze urn containing 1,800 very old coins, some of them dating from the eleventh century.

A family in a village east of Silkeborg had a cat which was doing good service, but which was to thievish that they decided to get rid of her. They could not bear to kill her, so the head of the family put her into a basket and took her along when he went to town. There is a forest close to Silkeborg, and there he left puss, being sure that she would go to some farmhouse and shift for herself. Having finished his business in town, he returned home late in the afternoon. He came home at dusk, and his wife met him in the yard. "Welcome home! Did you succeed in getting rid of the cat?" "Yes, I chased her into the forest, and she'll strike some place." "Glad you got rid of the rascal. But you must come in right off, for I have hot pancakes for you." The good woman had placed the pancakes on the table before going out to meet her husband, but when the two came in the plate was standing empty on the table, and the cat was eating the last pancake under the table.

FINLAND.

The final reports from the election of members to the landtag show that the Socialists elected eighty out of the two hundred members. In many cases the thirteen "Agrarians" will also vote with the Socialists, so that the Socialists will come within a few votes of controlling the national legislature of Finland. The so-called "Old Finns" elected 58 members. The "Young Finns" who represent the present administration, elected only 25 members, and the Swedish party 24. The landtag will convene in the early part of May next.

SWEDEN.

A company has been formed for carrying on automobile traffic in Helsingborg and vicinity.

The "honk" of the wild goose was heard as early as March 18 in Southern Sweden, and the birds bravely plowed the air northward.

The historical museum of Lund has just acquired a valuable collection of antiquities, including the paper scissors of Esajas Tegner, a cane that once belonged to Vilhelm von Braun, and the oldest and rudest bicycle to be found in Sweden.

The Ringsjö lake, near Malmo, was frozen for three and a half months last winter. This was the longest closed season for about a quarter of a century.

Two men were burnt to death in a house at the Naset fishermen's hamlet, near Smogen. In another house which was not touched by the fire a seventy-five-year-old woman was so badly scared that she died at the same time.

The corrected emigration statistics for the year 1905 show that the total number of Swedes who left their country in that year was 24,046. The figures for the year 1906 are expected to show an increase of at least one thousand.

Major Renvall has constructed a rifle on which the trigger is a button to be pressed by the thumb. The change is claimed to be of advantage in cold weather and the invention will be thoroughly tested by the Norbotten regiment.

Thousands of volumes of government records in one of the old rooms of the national banks at Stockholm have been attacked by a kind of worm, and it will be necessary to remove the books to other quarters in order to save them from the pest.

The books of the Trelleborg branch of the Skane bank were occupying so much room that the officials of the bank decided to get rid of them, and four wagonloads of books, covering the business of the office for thirty years, were hauled out into a field and burnt up.

The crown prince and a number of the other leading men of Sweden have issued a call for subscriptions to a fund for the erection of a monument to Gunnar Wennerberg, the immortal poet and composer. It is proposed to unveil the monument at Upsala Oct. 2, 1907, his 90th birthday anniversary.

About 300 members of the largest lumber dealers' union in Germany are going to charter a steamer for a trip to Sweden next summer. They are going to study the lumbering industry and the management of the forests of Sweden, combining business with pleasure on the trip.

Anders Israelsson Harslet, Ramsle parish, Angermanland, died a short while ago. At his death he was supposed to be the oldest person in Sweden, having been born July 18, 1802. He was blind and bedridden for some time before his death. But his courage never forsook him, and he was in the habit of saying: "I was just a fool in going to bed this way, for now I am growing too lazy to get up again."

The women who are working in the government railway offices have petitioned the government to pay them as much as the men employed in similar positions. The men are receiving from 20 to 30 per cent higher wages than the women for a certain amount of work.

About 65 boys at the military school at Skövde had a severe attack of typhoid fever, caused by the use of milk from the Forsby co-operative dairy.

As a result of a sufficient supply of food and feed the prices of live stock are higher in Southern Sweden this year than ever before.

The board of directors of the public schools of Sweden have proposed to place the regular teachers at the "people's high schools" on an equal footing with the teachers in the public schools with regards to promotions and pensions.

Both Danish and Swedish newspapers are denouncing the methods of two Danish lottery companies which are doing a flourishing business in Sweden. But the companies keep things moving all the same because they are operating within the limits of the letter of the law.

The past years was a very prosperous one for the "sugar barons" of Sweden. The best beets yielded as much as 18 per cent of sugar, something which was supposed to be impossible two years ago. There was so much money in the business that both the beet-growers and the laborers were given enough pay to make them stop their traditional "kicking" against the "sugar barons." No industry has brighter prospects in Sweden than has the production of beet sugar.

Otto Goldschmidt, the husband of Jenny Lind, the "Swedish Nightingale," who died in 1887, died in London at the age of seventy-eight. He married Miss Lind in 1852, during her American tour, during which he was her accompanist on the piano. Mr. and Mrs. Goldschmidt took up their residence in England in 1858. He was professor in the Royal Academy of Music, England, in 1863, and made vice principal in 1866, was first musical director of the Bach Choir in 1876, and resigned in 1885. He edited, in conjunction with Sterndale Bennett, "The Choral Book for England."

The railway department has prepared a lengthy report on the proposed "Inland Railway," which is to run from north to south thru the whole country. Starting from Gothenburg and following portions of existing railroads for short distances, the "Inland Railway," according to the opinion of the railway department, ought to pass thru the following places: Elias, Hogstorp, Smedberg, Gestater, Ed, Billingsfors, Lelangen, Silbodol, Koppom, Ottebol, Torsby, Uterbyn, Rya, Malung, Orsa, Sveg, Irenstavig, Brunflo, Ostersund, Litsnaset, Gullstjärn, Ulrikfors, Dalasjö, Kaska and Gellivare. It is estimated that this line will cost \$39,100,000.

The American minister, Mr. Graves, in a letter to the newspapers, explains that he declined to present Mrs. Ida M. von Claussen of New York to King Oscar because there was no evidence that she had any royal invitation or proper credentials. The Swedish newspapers treat the incident with ridicule. Mrs. von Claussen, who is the daughter of Adolph von Claussen, a retired merchant of New York, recently complained to the state department at Washington that Minister Graves had refused to present her at court. The minister in reply sent to the state department the letters Mrs. von Claussen wrote to him on the subject. Mrs. von Claussen, who is one of the heirs of the Byrne estate, assumed her maiden name after obtaining a divorce from her husband, Dr. William Francis Homan.

NORWAY.

The public debt of the municipality of Kristiania is a little over \$14,000,000.

The government sold stumps for \$115,000 on the Rendal reservation last year, the heaviest buyers being Swedes.

The Norwegian Life Pension Union has loaned \$67,500 to the Aalesund Building Association for the erection of residences.

Oscar Buurmann, who is residing in Paris, is translating Ibsen's "Ghosts" into Esperanto, an artificial language receiving much attention in our day.

The Hygea life insurance company of Bergen is in a prosperous condition. The new insurance for the past year amounted to almost \$1,000,000, and the reserve fund is about \$1,300,000.

The city council of Kristiania has proposed an appropriation of \$270,000 for the Western railway on condition that the starting pass a resolution at the present session to build such a railway.

The government has proposed that the importation of gooseberry bushes be prohibited in order to protect the native bushes from "American mildew," which is troubling the fruit growers of Norway and Sweden.

Plans are being prepared at the canal office for deepening the passage thru Nordso to Hitterdal lake so that it may accommodate steamers of 2,000 tons. This will afford the flourishing factories around Notodden a direct communication with the ocean.

Sufficient money has been raised for a monument of Peter Dass, the famous poet and preacher of Nordland. About \$200 will be paid for the best designs for the monument, which will be unveiled in August, 1908, the 200th anniversary of Peter Dass. The monument will naturally be located at Aleshaug, Nordland.

Norfolk, Va., April 8.—The British steamer, Ollveemoor, bound from Mobile March 30, for Bristol, England, picked up at sea off the North Carolina coast yesterday fifteen of the eighteen members of the Norwegian bark Hereford, bound from Pensacola, March 16, for Buenos Ayres, which was dismasted in the storm of April 1, and was helpless at sea until sighted with distress signals flying by the Ollveemoor on her way across the Atlantic. Three members of the Hereford's crew were washed overboard and drowned. Capt. Jensen, commanding the bark, was crippled by a falling mast and rigging and the first mate is badly injured. So badly hurt were the captain and mate that the Ollveemoor discontinued her voyage to bring the seamen in for hospital treatment. The shipwrecked men will be turned over to the vice-consul here and the Ollveemoor will proceed at once on her voyage to England.

Bernhard Hansen of Flekkefjord has ordered a steel steamer to be built at the Framnes shipyards, Sandefjord, at a cost of \$115,000. The new steamer is to be used on a steamship line between Norway and the West Indies.

Five fishermen who were operating near Voksvær, on the Frolen Island, near Trondhjem, were drowned in a storm. Three brothers and their father were among them.

Dale Gudbrand, a noted stallion, is dead. He was popular while living, and his descendants are said to be worth about \$60,000.

It is claimed that radium has been found at Matrefjord, Hardanger.

NEWS OF MINNESOTA.

Dan Patch.

St. Paul—"Dan Patch, 1:54, on the Minnesota State Fair race track in '07," is the latest slogan of the state fair people. For the greatest of all pacers has been engaged again for the coming state fair. He will appear on Monday afternoon, Sept. 2, the opening day of the fair, and is to go against his own world's record of 1:55 flat which he made at the Minnesota fair last September. This was the fastest mile ever made by a harness horse under any conditions, but Mr. Savage and Mr. Hersey, Dan's trainer and driver, are both confident that he can beat the 1906 mark this season. The famous horse was never in better condition than now and looks good for something better than ever when he gets to work on the track.

It is a fact that Dan Patch has never appeared on the Minnesota State Fair track without lowering his Minnesota record. He has gone against time on this track five times with the following results:

1902—August 31.....	Time 2:00
1905—September 4.....	Time 1:59½
September 9.....	Time 1:57½
1906—September 3.....	Time 1:56½
September 8.....	Time 1:55

This last achievement gave to the Minnesota State Fair track the honor of the world's record for the fastest mile ever traveled by a harness horse.

Suicide.

Virginia—A woman who registered at a local hotel as "B. Ellis," committed suicide by taking poison at Angora, on the Rainy Lake road.

She reached Virginia on the Great Northern road; registered at the hotel where she stayed over night and next day took a Rainy Lake train to Angora. Here she alighted and walking half a mile down the track drank poison, her dead body being found in the afternoon. She gave no residence when registering at the hotel and nothing was found in her clothing to indicate her identity. She was well-dressed and fairly good looking. At the Virginia hotel she left her pocket-book containing \$9.68 in money and a note which said:

"My husband died last week. Am threatened with insanity and prefer death. Bury me here as I am. Have no relatives."

A baby's silk stocking was also found in the pocketbook. The authorities are endeavoring to find out who the woman was and where she came from, but so far have met with no success.

Gold Mine.

Winona—Investigation into the report of the gold mine on the Gainey farm near Eiba in this county shows that there is good foundation for the stories that have been sent out. The first indications of gold were found on the farm some years ago when a deep well was sunk. The well driller said the soil brought out was different than he had found anywhere else, and he believed that gold ore was in it. Mr. Gainey has since been interested in some Western copper and gold mines, and from his investigations there he was sure he had gold ore on his own farm. Recently he did some prospecting, sinking a six-foot shaft down about twelve feet. Some of the ore removed he had assayed and found it to contain gold that would run about \$4 to the ton. Since then the shaft has been sunk more than 30 feet and the looks of the ore continues to improve. Another assay is now being made, and upon it depends future operations.

Mad Dogs.

Mankato—A dog thought to be afflicted with rabies attacked several other dogs in Beauford township and was pursued southward by a number of farmers armed with guns, but it made its escape.

In view of the further fact that several dogs have been killed in Beauford during the last few months, and which were thought to have been suffering from rabies, the Mapleton village council has voted that all canines within the village limits must be tied up or muzzled. The village marshal is authorized to shoot all unmuzzled dogs running at large.

Last week four cattle on C. S. Wishart's farm in Maple township died of some strange disease, and the state veterinarian, Dr. Beeber, was summoned to examine the herd. He gave it as his opinion that the cattle had rabies. Mr. Wishart will have one of the cattle tested to determine the matter finally.

NEWS NOTES.

St. Paul—Charles A. Decoursey is killed while returning home in response to a telegram announcing the serious illness of his brother.

Winona—The bankers of the First congressional district will meet in this city on Tuesday, June 11, and plans for the convention are about completed.

St. Cloud—This place has practically landed a woolen mill and a belt shifter factory, and now has the promise of two concerns which are much larger. The first is a shoe factory. Secretary E. C. Sydow of the Commercial club, has received letters from eastern capitalists relative to locating a factory.

St. Cloud—Some of the local capitalists are working on a plan to develop the peat bogs near this city. It is a well known fact that there is any quantity of peat in the vicinity of this place. Peat can be found in every case where wire grass bogs exist. In some cases, of course, the peat is only a few inches thick, but in most places there is enough to make it a paying proposition.

Finlayson—After threatening his wife and the village marshal with a revolver, Alonzo T. Spicer of this village attempted to commit suicide, but was stopped by the officer and taken into custody.

Minneapolis—The tailor shop at 155 University avenue, occupied by Peter Huttie, was destroyed by fire. The building was a single story frame structure. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Winona—Through the generosity of Mayor John A. Latsch, Winona is soon to have public bath houses and public play grounds. He has donated \$10,000 for this purpose.

SOMETHING NEW

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