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## PALACES OSCAR HAS LOST.

Royal Residences and Civil List of Swedish King Were Exceedingly Modest.

London.—When the Norwegian storking, by a simple decree, declared the union with Sweden dissolved and that the king of two countries had ceased to act as king of Norway, the material loss of King Oscar and the royal family of the Bernadottes was not so great as might seem at the first blush. The union has been more nominal than real and the golden link of the crown has never been particularly solid. King Oscar has, indeed, at one stroke lost nearly half of his subjects and considerably more than one-third of his territory, but in Norway the monarchy has never drawn from the state revenues an excessive income. King Oscar has never encouraged a lavish expenditure in the management of his court and a modest civil list, supplemented by a moderate private fortune, has sufficed for the needs of the royal family, which has in many respects formed habits of democratic simplicity.

The civil list of King Oscar as king of Sweden is about \$363,710, and the royal family enjoys also an annuity of about \$82,000, voted to King Carl XIV. and his successors on the throne of Sweden. Norway allowed the monarch a civil list much less than half that granted by Sweden, about \$136,250, on which to maintain the royal dignity.

By law King Oscar was bound to pass six weeks annually in Norway. Until recently—and it must be remembered he is in his seventy-seventh year—he attended every year the opening of the Norwegian storking, and on his visits to Norway resided in one or the other of the royal residences at Christiania, the royal palace and his county seat, Oscarthal.

The royal palace, situated on an eminence in the western part of the city, was built in 1822-1848, and with the gardens did not cost more than \$122,000, voted by the storking.

The private apartments contain paintings and sculptures by Norwegian artists, most of which were presented to the king and queen on their silver wedding in 1882. The throne-room contains portraits of Oscar I. and Queen Josephine, besides other members of the royal family.

The second royal residence ("Oscar's Hall") makes a favorite excursion for visitors to Christiania, as it is beautifully situated on the Christiania fjord, two miles from the city. It was built in 1847 by King Oscar I., in Anglo-Gothic style. It was sold by Charles XV. to the government, but was set apart for the use of the reigning monarch. The painter Tidemand is well represented by some of his characteristic pictures of Norwegian peasant life. In the grounds are to be seen antique Norwegian buildings, an old Norwegian church, dating from the twelfth century, and typical farm-houses of the country.

## LOCKSMITH WAS TRICKED.

Betrayed by a Man Who Employed Him to Open His Door.

New York.—A German locksmith in Harlem had a call one night recently from a young man who said that he'd lost his keys and wanted to get into his house quietly. The locksmith went with the young man to a house near by and set to work on the lock.

"There's no use of my hanging around," said the young man. "I'm going to the corner for a drink. When you get through whistle."

The German stuck to his task and in ten minutes he had the way clear. Then he whistled.

The young man came up. The locksmith said he wanted two dollars for his work. He was told to come around in the morning. As he knew some of the occupants of the house he consented. The young man walked into the house and the German went home.

Next morning he went around for his money. The house was full of cops. He stayed long enough to hear that the house had been looted and then made tracks for his shop.

## "WIDOW'S MITE" IS FOUND

Ancient Coin Recently Picked Up on a Farm Near Berlin, Wisconsin.

Madison, Wis.—Experts of the University of Wisconsin hold that an ancient small coin picked up in a field of the Allard farm near Berlin by Anton Disterhoff is a genuine "lepton" or "widow's mite" of Bible times.

The coin is copper, three-eighths of an inch in diameter, with a design representing two cornucopias and a poppy on one side and an inscription on the other, "Jonathan, the high priest, and the senate of the Jews," in Greek.

The coin, when found, was inclosed in a small metal box and is supposed to have been lost by one of the French missionaries who visited Wisconsin in the early half of the seventeenth century. It was worth about one-twentieth of an American penny, but now has considerable value, as it is one of very few in existence.

Mississippi Bloodhounds.

The state of Mississippi is to go into the dog-breeding business, limited to one class—bloodhounds. Several recent failures to run down escaping criminals with bloodhounds and some mistakes made by the hounds in tracking the wrong persons have convinced the officials of the need of improving the breed, the hounds being hitherto hired as occasion demanded from local parties. Mississippi has now bought the finest bloodhounds within its borders, and will start a state pack.

## USE OF OIL ON COURSES.

Shown by Experiments on Automobile Racing Tracks to Be Beneficial.

New York.—Experiments in oiling roads and tracks for automobile competition would indicate that it is a success when carefully and scientifically done. There has long been a difference of opinion on the score and most of the racing tracks have objected to the use of oil on the ground that it hurts the track by making it too hard for the horses.

President Spere, of the Bay State Automobile Association, which conducted the races at the Readville, Mass., track on Saturday day, directed the oiling of the course two days before the meeting in such a manner as to satisfy the automobilists by keeping down the dust and without dissatisfying the horsemen, as evidenced by the report made by Secretary Jewett, of the trotting course.

"The first time automobile races were held here the track was wet from the rain and the machines did not do it much harm. Last year it was dry and dusty and we lost tons and tons of clay, probably \$1,000 worth at least during their races.

"The dust made the event distasteful to everyone. It was almost determined last year to use oil, but at the last moment I weakened, some of the directors being bitterly opposed to it. They were afraid of the odor. That did not worry me, but I was afraid the oil might have a detrimental effect on the footing.

"This year we put about 6,000 gallons of oil on the track. The automobile races were held two days later, and there was very much less dust than is usual even at horse races. In fact, there was none to speak of. The oil entirely eliminated that drawback.

"I was afraid that the oiled surface would not pack—that instead of our usual hard surface we would have a brittle and cuppy one. But I believe that the track is better than it was before the oil was used. In proportion to the surface covered there was very little oil used. The dust on the track absorbed it and it did not penetrate.

"That oiled dust now makes a perfect cushion, free from dust, nothing to blow away, while the footing under it is hard and as perfect as ever. I do not know how oil would work on other soils, but on ours it has acted in a way that has delighted me."

## GIRL BECOMES SOLDIER.

Takes Part as Man in Boer War Spectacle, But Succumbs to Strain.

New York.—Uncensored and hurried in transmission there came out of the fighting front of the Transvaal at Brighton Beach the other night a dispatch stating that Private Frederick McKenzie, of the Imperial Yeomanry, who has been taking part in the mimic charges and battles at the Boer war spectacle, is none other than a young woman, Mrs. Martha Bennett, masquerading as a man.

Weeping, she confessed to Capt. Albert Rorer that she had enlisted for the spectacle under her brother's name and by virtue of his discharge papers, hoping thereby to earn enough money to return to her home in Ireland.

She trusted to a close resemblance to her brother to escape detection. The description of the brother in the discharge papers brings to the mind's eye a person not unlike the woman. Her hair had been cropped close, soldier fashion, to make the masquerade all the more real.

It was in the afternoon, according to the correspondents' tent at Coney Island, that the woman's secret became known. Broken down by the hard work of the mimic fighting, she had applied for a leave of absence. Capt. Rorer noticed her delicate hands all torn and bruised, and said that Private McKenzie did not appear to have been inured to hardship.

"Forgive me, captain, for deceiving you," she said. "I'm not Private McKenzie, but his sister, Mrs. Martha Bennett." And then between sobs she told of her desire to earn money enough to return to her home in Ireland. She came to this country three years ago, she said, bearing with her the discharge papers of her brother, made out at Aldershot. So that there might be no question of this, the original papers were shown to the Coney Island correspondents.

Mrs. Bennett will receive her leave of absence, and on her return will have a place in the hospital corps of the Boer war.

## Royal Russian Incomes.

Boris and Cyril, with their mother, Grand Duchess Vladimir, have an income of about \$15,000,000, chiefly derived from the forests and coal mines in the south of Russia. The 33 Russian grand dukes own 350 castles and palaces in Russia and abroad, and support an army of about 20,000 servants. Quite one-fourth of the best land in European Russia belongs to these parasites. In the Ural mountains, Siberia and the Pacific coast they have obtained immense concessions, rendering most of them wealthy beyond the dreams of avarice. Of these 33 six, it is stated, have so little education they can barely read and write.

## Indian Birth Rate.

For the first time in the history of Canada, the Indian returns published by the Dominion government show that the birth rate among Indians last year was considerably greater than the death rate. This may be taken to indicate that the Indians of North America will not become extinct in time, as some suppose.

## WYOMING'S POPULATION.

The Broad Breathing Space of Former Times Is Becoming Somewhat Contracted.

A traditional right has been invaded. That square mile of fresh air, in which every inhabitant of Wyoming has been accustomed to breathe and find elbow room, is squeezed and clipped about the edges, says Collier's Weekly. The census of 1905 shows that 101,819 people must be crowded into Wyoming's 97,890 square miles. Wyoming is filled up. To the effete and cabined citizen of the east a square mile of empty air seems a dread immensity of space, an abundance of superfluous breath. For the free-born denizen of the land of the Big Horn and the North Platte it is no more than enough. In 1880 there were nearly two miles of territory for each inhabitant, and in 1890 one and one-half miles. In 1900 each man could still have more than one square mile to himself. Ever the hand grows tighter. From the green reaches of Laramie county, from the Yellowstone and Powder rivers we seem to hear the distant rumble of rising discontent. On the lonely banks of the Stinking Water, the Hon. Buffalo B. Cody stirs himself. The only Powell, his trusty side partner—next to the last of the great scouts—joins in. Their voices thunder in a dull antiphonal chorus: "Give us air!" There are two rays of hope. The 1905 census of Iowa shows a falling off of 15,785 since the federal census five years ago. And there is always Nevada. There are over 110,000 square miles in Nevada and only about 42,000 people—almost three square miles for every man.

## NEWFOUNDLAND CARIBOU.

In Hunting the Animal the Cod Fishermen Are Engaged as Burden Bearers.

Good guides in Newfoundland are at a premium, and the sportsman who succeeds in engaging one may be reasonably certain of a successful trip, writes William Arthur Babson, in Recreation. The great majority, however, are neither guides by occupation nor hunters by instinct, but cod fishermen from the coast, who know little of the country beyond the immediate horizon of their homes, and absolutely nothing of the art of big game hunting. Lacking in alertness, intensity and enthusiasm; dull, phlegmatic, mentally dwarfed, the fisherman possesses few of those finer sensibilities so essential to a true hunter. But give him a dollar a day and some tea, pork, flour and "baccy," and he will carry your heaviest pack without a murmur. He will wade the iciest river without a grumble. He will smile while facing the greatest hardships of the wilderness. His strength is that of endurance and his very best efforts are offered with a cheerful willingness rarely equalled. If the fisherman makes but an indifferent hunter, as a faithful companion, and as a man, he has won my lasting respect. The reader will appreciate this slight tribute to the Newfoundlanders should he ever be lost in the interior without food and the blinding sleet driving across the barrens. It is danger which draws together the hearts of men.

## CLOTHING ONLY CAPITAL.

Bailement of the Sailor Exempted from Attachment by Federal Statute.

The clothing of a sailor is practically his complete outfit for work, and without this he is unable to join his vessel properly equipped for duty.

Because of this fact congress has passed a law providing a penalty for refusing to give up the clothes of a seaman whenever he demands them. This law was not as effective as it should have been, and a new law has been passed recently which provides that a person who shall keep a seaman's clothing, when demanded, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be imprisoned not more than six months, or fined not more than \$500, or both.

A seaman not a deserter, in any part of the United States, has a right to demand his clothes at any time, and if he does not receive them, he can call upon the United States district attorney, who will secure them for him and inflict a penalty upon the person detaining them.

## Amusing Japanese Signs.

Clarence Ludlow Brownell, in his book, "The Heart of Japan," tells amusingly of some signs he saw in Japan on the shops of merchants who were bidding for English and American trade: "Barber to Shave Beard or to Dress Hairs Away." "The Genuinely Bler Buy the Health for Drink." "Of smoke our tobacco is pressure to Our tongue and give the healthiness to Hers and Hes! Also All People by It." "Cowmeat and Pigmeat and Ramune Soda Sasupre Zin-sinbiya Jodiyael." This last means lemon soda, sarsaparilla, ginger beer and ginger ale.

## Liveried Housemaids.

Housemaids in livery are the latest innovation in smart London houses. The conventional costume for maids—black dress, white apron, and cap—has been in several cases superseded. One lady has attired her maids in smart skirts, tight-fitting bodices, with a smart, double-breasted waistcoat of yellow and black stripes with tiny brass buttons on either side relieved at the neck by a white linen collar. On her head a little French mob cap is worn, while the costume is completed with a small frilled muslin apron.

## Too Many a Minute.

Enpee—I'm not a stenographer. Mrs. Enpee—Who said you were? "You seem to think I can take about 200 words a minute."—Judge.

## Church Directories.

**Presbyterian Church.**  
 James McFarland.  
 Bible School at 9:30 every Lord's Day.  
 Y. P. S. C. E. at 7 p. m.  
 Prayer service Thursday evening at 8 p. m.  
 Preaching every Lord's Day at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.  
 Woodville every Sabbath at 3 p. m.  
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**Christian Church.**  
 Elder W. A. Haynes, Pastor.  
 Bible school every Lord's Day 9:30 a. m.  
 Zeller, superintendent.  
 Y. P. S. C. E. every Lord's Day 6:30 p. m.  
 Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 8 p. m.  
 Preaching every second and fourth Lord's day at 4 o'clock p. m. Morning and evening each fifth Lord's day.  
 Meeting of official board every first Lord's day.  
 All cordially invited to attend all meetings of the church.

**M. E. Church.**  
 A. J. Brock, Pastor.  
 Preaching every Sabbath morning and evening at 10:45 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.  
 Sunday school every Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. F. S. Morgan, Supt.  
 Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m.  
 Epworth League Junior every Sabbath 3 p. m., and senior one hour before preaching every Sabbath evening.  
 Business meeting of the official board the first Monday of each month, at 4:30 p. m. J. A. Kreek, secretary of the board.  
 W. F. M. Society meets the first Friday of each month, 2:30 p. m.

**Evangelical Church.**  
 R. H. Hobbs, Pastor.  
 Sunday school at 10 a. m.  
 Prayer meeting Thursday at 8 p. m.  
 Services every Sunday, morning and evening.  
 Regular preaching services the first and third Sundays at 11 a. m., and the second and fourth Sundays at 8 p. m.  
 Preaching at Nickell's Grove on the first and third Sundays at 8 p. m., and the second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m.  
 Preaching at Benton church on the first and third Sundays of each month.  
 Preaching at Culp school house second and fourth Sundays.  
 All are cordially invited to attend.

**German M. E. Church.**  
 Rev. Wm. Tost, Pastor.  
 Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.  
 Preaching every Sunday at 10:30 a. m.  
 Preaching every Sunday at the Nodaway church at 2:30 p. m.  
 Prayer Meeting Wednesday afternoon at 2:30.  
 Everybody cordially invited to attend above services.

**M. E. Church, Forest City.**  
 Rev. Thorpe, Pastor.  
 Preaching on the second and fourth Sunday in each month, 11 a. m., and evening.  
 Preaching on the first and third Sunday evening.  
 Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., Junior League at 2:30 p. m., and Senior League at 7 p. m. J. A. Lease, Pres.  
 Prayer meeting every Tuesday evening 8 p. m.  
 Ladies' Aid society every Friday at 2:30 p. m.  
 Mrs. E. A. Scott, Pres.  
 Preaching at Kinsey school house on the first and third Sunday mornings.  
 Sunday school at 10 a. m. James Lease Supt.  
 All are cordially invited to attend.

**Christian Church, New Point.**  
 Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.  
 Preaching on the first and third Sundays in each month, 11 a. m., and evening.  
 Y. P. S. C. E. every Sunday evening, 8:30 p. m.  
 All are cordially invited to attend.

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 Bible school each Lord's day at 10 a. m.

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