# NEWS FROM THE FAR NORTH.

## The Norwegian Storthing's Radicalism.

### SWEDES IN THE ARCTIC REGION.

### Henrik Ibsen Establishes Himself in Christiania.—An Eiffel Tower at Copenhagen.

A cablegram of late date carries the information that the Norwegian Cabinet has resigned.

The Scandinavian Natural History Society will meet July 4 in Copenhagen to hold its fourteenth annual Congress.

All officers in the Swedish army agree that the independence of the Scandinavian peninsula is threatened by no other power than Russia.

Baron Henry of Germa has been appointed minister of foreign affairs of Denmark. He full name is Henrik Theil, and he is said to be a very prominent publicist.

"A Sunday Morning," a new parlor tableau by the young Norwegian composer Gerhard Schiefbaum, is accepted for production at the royal opera of Munich in Germany.

Russia is now more than ever before looking for a good harbor on the Norwegian coast. The movement going on all over Sweden and Norway for the purpose of raising money for the easier of defense is on that account really explained.

An Eiffel tower is to be erected in the Zoological Gardens of Copenhagen. It will be 50 feet high, on a ground 250 feet above the level of the sea, enabling the visitor with a good field-glass to have a Midsummer view of the whole of Denmark.

Two Swedish scientists, Bjorling and Kallstenius, arrived June 15 at St. Johns, Newfoundland, with the intention of hiring a schooner and sail to the American arctic region, intending to return in September. Their journey of exploration is undertaken in behalf of the Swedish Geographical Society of Stockholm.

The North Atlantic Steamship Co., of Boston, Mass., has bought the steamer "Britannia" of Bergen, Norway, for the sum of 300,000 crowns, intending her to ply Boston and Halifax. She was to leave Norway about the middle of June. English speculators made a lighter bid, but the American agent, Mr. Pike, of London, preceded them by a few hours.

Captain A. G. Thomsen, of the "Hekla," of the Thingvalla line, has created the Atlantic 100 times, conveying nearly 25,000 passengers to New York and 9,000 back, and only once met with mishaps on the freacious voyages. A banquet was recently given to him by the merchants and shipowners of Copenhagen, and others interested in marine life.

Thirty Norwegian sailmakers were in 1888 engaged by a Russian named Valodin, to proceed to Vladivostok. Valodin, becoming insolvent, was unable to carry out his contract. These worst people consequently suffered great losses thereby. Through diplomatic channels it reached the ears of the Czar, who has now sent 27,000 crowns to be distributed amongst them, making about 700 crowns a piece. Seemingly this is a most generous action, or is the Czar desirous of getting the good will of the Norwegians, who, by the strike for disunion with Sweden, are advertising their country as soon as being in the market for annexation to a more powerful neighbor.

The Storthing passed the bill for separate foreign consulates and voted 50,000 crowns for preliminary expenses. It is expected that this will lead also to separate foreign ministers at several European courts, which will be a future heavy burden on a small country like Norway with only 2,000,000 inhabitants. It is looked upon as the first wedge for effecting the separation of the two united kingdoms, so sagacity advocated by the pro-national political agitators of Norway, but by which all sensible Scandinavians, on each side of the Alps, and all over the world, not the least in America, seriously deplore. If ever two countries are by nature united, it is the Swedish and Norwegian peninsula, with their mountain ridge as their very backbone. In such unity there should be strength.

Henrik Ibsen has purchased a large and very handsome house in one of the principal streets of Christiania. His gallery of paintings is said to be the finest in Christiania. During the many years he spent in the various capital and art centres of Europe he had ample opportunity to secure works of the real masters. He is a man of considerable wealth, possessing a fund of 200,000 crowns and an annual income more than sufficient for his wants. He is to be seen daily in the Cafe of the Grand Hotel reading the papers just as years ago he was one of the daily attendants of the Cafe Maximilian in Munich. The people great him affectionately as they pass him. His dramas have been produced with great success at the Christiania Theatre since his return and that fact probably reconciles him to the plan of passing his last days at home. The new drama he at present is at work upon will probably be finished in a very few weeks.

### WORLD'S FAIR NOTES.

A Buffalo, N. Y., man proposes to furnish the World's Fair with an attraction in the shape of a collection of snakes. He claims to be able to show as many as 2000 different varieties.

A group of Caribs from the Lesser Antilles, descendants of the cannibal race discovered by Columbus on his second voyage, will be at the World's Fair, engaged in making baskets and in other native industries.

An agent of the Turkish government is on his way to Chicago to superintend the construction of the Ottoman pavilion and a Turkish village for the World's Fair. Accompanying him are native masons who will build the pavilion.

The Kentucky building at the World's Fair will be a typical representation of a southern colonial mansion, one of the distinctive features of which is great pillared porches or verandas. Exclusive of these porches the building will measure about 75 by 50 feet.

The celebrated blue grass of Kentucky will be displayed in the exhibit which that State will make at the World's Fair. The display will possess additional interest from the fact that the soil and grasses are being selected from historic spots in the State, such as the battlefield of Perryville, the house of Henry Clay, and the birthplace of Lincoln.

The Jelly palace, which the women of California will prepare for the World's Fair exhibit, will be 16 by 20 feet and 25 feet high, with two open doors approached by three marble steps. The frame work will be of wire. Outside will be finely placed several those and jelly glasses—cups, glasses, plates, etc. Filled with jelly of many shades of color strangers in artistic and beautiful designs. The interior will be brilliantly illuminated by electricity. The cost of the frame work and glasses alone is estimated at $2700.

More than one thousand men are now at work on the massive Machinery Factories building for the World's Fair. The force was recently doubled by order of the Exposition authorities, who concluded that the contractor was not making as rapid progress as was desirable. The authorities are determined that all of the buildings shall be completed in time for dedication in October, and the contractor may be assured that this will be done. The total number of workmen at Jackson Park now exceeds 7,000. It will probably be increased to 10,000 or more.

Last April the "World's Fair Notes," sent out weekly by the department of publicity and promotion of the World's Fair, announced that ostrich eggs, artistically painted in a pale copper tint, were to be a feature in the exhibit from Cape Colony, South Africa. This competition has been held. Nineteen meritorious specimens, many women, participated, and furnished designs which the Cape press praises highly as being very artistic and beautiful. Each contestant exhibited half a dozen beautifully decorated eggs, all of which will be exhibited at the World's Fair. The originals of the paintings include flowers, birds, animals, landscapes, public buildings, etc. The gem of the whole collection, painted by Miss Van Reenen, winner of the first prize of £7 10s., is reported to be a fairy fairy standing on a vine but drawn by a butterfly, with underneath the words, "To Chicago."

The mineral exhibit at the World's Fair promises to be incomparably finer than any ever before made, either in this country or abroad. Californians, Colorado men are striving to surpass all other States, and Minnesotians it will surely do so. Michigan, Montana and Missouri, too, are making a specialty of the exhibition of their remarkably rich and varied mineral resources, and are not without hope of winning the highest award. Almost every State possesses mineral resources of superiority in one or more particulars, and will display its best. From all together a wonderfully complete and valuable exhibit is a certainty. Then, too, many foreign nations, mainly England, will make mineral exhibits of the most complete description. Canada will occupy 15,000 square feet in a mineral exhibit. Half of it is desired by Ontario province, which intends to make an extensive exhibit, including iron, copper, iron, gold, graphite, asbestos, phosphate, mica, gypsum, marl, petroleum, salt, here cobalt, nickel, silver, and many varieties of marble, granite and other building material.

Rev. John Henry Barrows, D. D., chairman of the general committee on religious congresses in connection with the World's Fair, reports a very favorable response to the plan of holding a parliament of religions, August 28th to September 3rd, next year. From Ireland to Australia colonies of all religious faiths are looking forward with great interest to this phenomenal convention. A large representation is promised from Japan. The journals and missionaries and many of the native scholars of India are discussing the plans with growing interest and favor. Hon. Hai Maya Das, a British commissioner and magistrate of the Punjaub, writes that incalculable good will come from this conference, in a free country, of representatives of various religions. The Hindu of Madras thinks the parliament "marks an epoch in the moral history of the world."

Among recent additions to the advisory council are Dr. Waldenstrom of the Swedish parliament, Dr. Hjalmar of Iceland, the Bishop of Sydney, New South Wales; Dr. Bludget of Peking, Dr. Frumel, court preacher, Berlin; Mr. Mokerji Shingji, a leading Buddhist scholar of Tokyo, Professor James Bryce, George William Curtis, Tuo. W. Higginson, Dr. H. H. Jessup of Syria, George W. Cable, Professor A. M. Fraser of Glasgow, President Dwight of Yale, President Schurman of Cornell, and the eloquent Mr. Mozoomdar of Calcutta.

### LIFE IN A LODGING HOUSE.

#### Showing That One May Live in a Place for Months and Yet Be a Stranger.

Many of the large, old fashioned houses in Washington are owned by persons whose incomes are in inverse ratio to the size of their dwellings, therefore they take a few boarders or also rent rooms. In one of these houses a certain journalist has the back room just across the broad hall from the boy's parlor.

One Friday night he was out late than usual, so overslept himself the next morning and did not leave the house until about 11 o'clock. When he opened the front door he saw a house and several carriages standing in front of the house, and as he was naturally a little curious to know who was bereaved, he said to a hackman who was leaning against the fence:

"Who is dead? Where is the funeral?"

He says you might have knocked him down with a feather when the man replied looking at him with surprise:

"In your house, sir!"

Dr. T——— was at that moment and for the burial service in the front parlor. The deceased, a lady, was only a visitor in the city and her friends had at first intended to take her home in W——— for interment, therefore no arrangements were being made for the funeral. Hence there was no confusion and no stir in the hall to attract attention when the journalist left his room.

Most of the people who room in this house are middle-aged, quiet people, the only young man, Mr. L———, has the hall room up one flight. Last week he went to his landlady's sitting room in the back building for L——— and tapped at the door.

"Come in," said some one.

So he entered, and there sat a stranger who looked comfortable and very much at home, in smoking jacket, easy and slippers. Mr. L——— stared at his landlady's guest.

"No," said the stranger, "who is not."

"I'm Mr. L———," and the young man.

"Oh! Can I——er——do anything for you?"

"I came to ask for a piece of ice."

"Oh! Well, if you go down stairs and find the servants I reckon they'll give you some."

Down stairs went Mr. L———, and, after getting his ice, he said:

"Who's that fellow in Mrs. S———'s room?"

"That is Mr. S———, sir."

"Are relations to my landlady?"

"Mr. S———! Why, he's her husband!"

"Husband! I thought she was a widow."

By and by Mrs. S——— came home, and her husband said:

"Some fellow came here awhile ago and wanted a piece of ice; said he was Mr. L———. Who the dickens is he?"

"Why, S———!" exclaimed his wife. "He is the young man in the room next to Aunt Mary. Surely you know him."

"Never heard of him! When did he come?"

"He has been here since October."

And it was then the last week in April.—New York Herald.

### A Trick with an Egg.

Place two V shaped wineglasses of the same size near the edge of a table. In the right hand one put an egg, just filling the rim of the glass. Hold the bases of the glasses firmly down, the top rims touching each other.

Now, with a quick, sharp breath, blow upon the blue where the rim and the glass meet. The egg will jump into the other glass. With a little practice this can be done every time. Be careful to blow in a line with the left hand glass, or the egg will jump in the wrong direction, and land on the table with disastrous results.—Youth's Companion.

### An Amateur's Experience in Persia.

Dr. Willis, an Englishman who lived many years in Persia, says that until lately it was the rule that no man's person over ten years of age should be touched on the road over which a royal wife or concubine was to pass. A violation of the rule was punished with death. Even now, he says, Europeans wisely avoid unpleasantness by turning aside when they hear the shouts which indicate the approach of the "palace ladies."

The late American minister, Mr. Pagenstecher, made a great notoriety on his account, by neglecting this precaution. With true American simplicity he was accustomed to ride through the streets with only one servant. Meeting the procession one day, he failed to turn out of its path. The result was that his servant was beaten and he himself was hustled into a tiffanjan. The next day he duly lodged a complaint of this treatment, but he had to put up with an apology that, naturally, "the royal servants might not recognize a one horse minister."

### The Fault with College Training.

The curriculum as now pursued in our colleges leads the student up to some just appreciation of intellectual possibilities; it awakens his nature, it gives ambition a new and grander meaning and then sends him out in the world to be bruised for want of something in his nature. Then the financial problem of life he is left to solve alone, unaided by any discipline. How often, then, are the forces wasted, the energies used to wrong ends, youth wrecked on unknown rocks!

In the effort to teach the student that there are other ambitions than those of money making, has not the college overreached itself and offered a premium on vagabondism? Does not the fact that the average professional man is indifferent to the outcome of an available surplus prove his need of instruction in personal economics?—Floyd B. Wilson in Lippincott's.

### The Versatile Tree.

Some years ago Professor Reis planted in the Frankfort botanical garden some of the trees from which it is stated the Japanese obtain their lacquer or varnish. The tree is known to botanists as the Rhus vernix, and it appears there are now thirty-four healthy trees, some thirty feet high. Professor Reis has taken sap from a few of the trees and sent it to Japan for trial by native artists. It is, however, almost useless for Europeans to attempt to compete with the Japanese in their line, but the lacquer, if it can be made from trees grown in Europe, may be used for other purposes than furnishing wood.—Leisure Hour.

### A Novel Burglar Detector.

Do you know what is the best burglar trap or, rather, burglar warning? It is a newspaper. Spread a good sized one across a hall floor. The burglar cannot leap over it without making a noise. The same result will attend an effort to fold it up and to walk on it as it is to rouse the house. Spread a few newspapers on the stairs, one on the mat, so that the man cannot take to that, and sleep in peace till the crisp rustle comes that lets you know of danger or thieves. There can be no silent prowling over newspapers.—Newport News.

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