# NEWS FROM THE FAR NORTH.

## Norway Abolishes Her Disruption Policy.

### BISMARCK REBUKED IN GERMANY.

### A Tragedy in Helsingfors—Swedish Railway Contractions—Herring Fishing.

THE KAISER WILL VISIT NORWAY.

Kaiser William contemplates a new tour to the Arctic coast of Norway this summer. Along the whole coast great preparations are being made to ensure the imperial visitor, and to arrange for eagle shooting and whale fishing. These projects have various reflections in contemplative minds. Other regions are in the north yet! May he remain there and climb to the top! But let him beware of the machinations (Bismarck and Stoecker) on the voyage either.

A LETTER CARRIER'S WAGES.

The postal authorities of Sweden have recently appointed a new mail letter carrier between Lingaro and Aske on the island of Gotland, in the Baltic. His wages are a little more than one cent a mile—300 miles on foot a year, but as the delivery comes only twice a week, the wages amount to the handsome sum of one dollar a month, and with this he has to pay rent for a room, where to attend four hours twice a week. This is somewhat worse than slave wages.

NORWAY VERSUS SWEDEN.

The latest news from the Scandinavian peninsula seems to justify the hope and expectation that the strong and stalwart champion of the union will not pass place, at least, in the second position. No doubt the unanimously free position, which the Swedish cabinet and riksdag have taken in the matter, made the Norwegian cabinet consider twice before, on the little plea of separate consular appointments, the sight of which would try to realize the plan of revolution against and separation from the sister country. Frequent and long consultations between the King and his Swedish cabinet, and between him and the Norwegian Minister Steen—in which, it is rumored, the crown prince successfully played the part of mediator—seem to have had the desired effect, as the principal Norwegian radical papers declare that a way out of the difficulty has at last been found, and that the King will not be present to Appellate separate Norwegian consuls, but the matter referred to the Diet for settlement in accordance with the consular commission formed on behalf of the disputed question.

DISTURBANCE AGAINST BISMARCK.

The liberal German paper Danzig Tageblatt, published recently a trenchant article against the political agitator, priest, demagogue, and world-disturber, Bismarck, in Germany. It said: "In the passionate discussions, which at present are carried on by the Scandinavian press, the Bismarck spirit is in evidence. Probably the impulsive year within him is personal hatred of the king and injured vanity, side by side with his unrestrained ambition and his hatred of the Scandinavian and Norwegian liberal spirit. The Norwegian radicals have been seized by a perfect rage for greatness, which ignores the small influence of the country, and the numbers of its inhabitants. Once upon a time—in ninety people ago—the Norwegian earls thundered in Scotland and Ireland. They were according to the conditions of the times, when petty chiefs reigned mightily within their own circumscribed domains. But Norway is now approaching ninety people, and it is deplorable that her leading politicians cannot see beyond the Alps of Kjoeben, and that the case picture of Norway cannot see as an independent state, let wonderfully become a toy in more powerful hands. The existence of Norway depends upon its union with Sweden, and it would be a great misfortune if Kolen is really would become the frontier between Sweden and Norway. Then, maybe, Bismarck would, at last, perceive the situation."

THE GOLDEN WEDDING OF THE KING AND QUEEN OF DENMARK.

A committee has been formed in Copenhagen for gathering money amongst the Danish school children to present as a gift on their golden wedding, May 26th. The wreath represents ears of wheat interwined with clover and shamrock, a suitable inscription is engraved, which reads: "Between the eyes might be interpreted thus: "Through the imposed self-abnegation of little children, their sweets and cakes and spoons have been transformed into invisible ears of golden wheat and shamrocks (very much chosen to decorate the brows of the aged royal bridal couple, or head their feet) and thus the eyes grow for a moment." The sympathetic gift reads almost like a ceriatic fairy tale of their own renewed story telling. H. P. Andersen. Your committee has been informed that there are also Shamrocks upon the shamrock leaves. If so, they must represent the tears of the Blake and Lily of the Valley."

AN ENGINEER'S SUICIDE.

Charles Nystromer, a young civil engineer of Stockholm, has been appointed chief sanitary engineer at Buenos Ayres, the fresh water supply and the sewerage demanding immediate attention.

A TRAGEDY IN HELSINGFORS.

A tragedy occurred the other night in Helsingfors, Finland. Two young Russian, Oscar Kingell and Allen Forsman, aged respectively 22 and 23 years, had been in the opera company during the night, and on their return to Engrall's lodging, the two lovers proceeded to a bedroom, where the latter they left lonely. Oscar fired shot the girl, and then killed himself with the same weapon. The lover was a clerk in an anthracite book store, the lady here a tailoress.

FROM THE SWEDISH BRIDGES.

The Riksdag has appropriated four million crowns for the extension of the railway along the coast of the Bay of Bothnia, and about two-thirds of a million in the composition of the Lulea-Gellivara line, a mining district in Lapland, but the Riksdag refuses all aid to private railway undertakings or to allow the National Bank, to reduce its rate of interest for any such purpose. The bill proposing to remove the Supreme Court of Skane from the town of Christianstad to the university town of Lund, in the same province, has been quashed in the lower house of the Diet.

THE SWEDISH HERRING FISHING.

The herring fishing along the west coast of Sweden has terminated for this season, and although very promising and having a great stock of salted herrings on hand, yet it has turned out rather disappointing as the catch has not for the last three weeks been half so large as the previous one, and owing to great quantities of herrings having been caught in the southern parts of the coast.

# PRESIDENT ELIOT'S VISIT.

### He Answers the Absurd and Bigoted Reflections Cast Upon Him.

The following appeared in the San Francisco Chronicle March 20th:

A complete man Cambridge, Mass., was published in the San Francisco Chronicle of Sunday, March 13, 1892, in which it was claimed that Harvard and Yale at Cambridge were absent of serious diplomatic aid to have been made by President Eliot in Salt Lake a week ago. It was claimed that he had compared the Utah Saints to the Pilgrim Fathers in their fidelity to religious liberty, and had said that it was a Mormon colony among the students at Harvard.

He is said to have used the following words in the course of his address:

"As I come over the plains I thought of our early pioneers who also settled in numbers and were thus under the guidance of a Christian church, and the continual use of Christian principles, though across the water I felt to the Pilgrim Fathers. They, too, suffered hardships for a religious idea. They, too, were dealt with in religious enthusiasm and wrought freedom to worship God. In the Mormon colony I felt the same part. They did under from the sect in Massachusetts.

"It was great to see a colony of the world was founded on religious enthusiasm. How you founded a colony, you may wonder how long it would be the Mormon colony. Here in the United States, we are a people who value other parts of the country, it would be to see a great reason.

THE PRESIDENT'S EXPLANATION.

When President Eliot was interviewed yesterday regarding the dispatch and the comments referred to, he remarked that the account of his speech was composed of a number of disconnected sentences, some of which were entirely erroneous.

"Mr. Eliot and I," continued Harvard's president, "was guest of the Mormon Board of Education in Salt Lake City. After I had been about seven hours in the city I attended a meeting in the Tabernacle and addressed an audience upon 'Religious Liberty' before 3000 people.

"I described the religious liberty given in all denominations in Massachusetts, and said that these religious liberties should be just as precious and as much respected in other States and Territories as in Massachusetts.

"The only sentence I made between the early Mormons and the Pilgrim Fathers was in relation to the Christian spirit displayed by the latter in crossing the Atlantic to found a colony where their religious endeavors would be unmolested, and the hardships endured by the Mormons in crossing the plains for a similar purpose.

"It would be absurd to talk of religious liberty in connection with the early settlement of the Pilgrim Fathers because religious liberty was not permitted, and neither Quakers nor Baptists were tolerated nor were allowed to reside in the colony. I would not have been permitted to settle in New England in those days, because I am Unitarian.

"And I do not say," continued President Eliot, "why religious liberty should be denied to the Mormons. I understand that not one in twenty was polygamist. Quite a few have not polygamy, but have made it a crime. I believe that the Mormon Church was absent in the Mormon Church, and that its members will make good citizens.

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