

NORWAY AND SWEDEN.

(From a declaration by the Norwegian Council of Women.)

In 1814 Frederick VI of Denmark and Norway was compelled to agree to cede Norway to the Swedish king, as compensation for the loss of Finland to Russia. Marshal Bernadotte, Sweden's general, who had been Napoleon's general, was elected successor to the Swedish throne under the name of Karl Johan.

At the news of the cession of their country Norwegians rose as one man, refusing to be bound by the treaty of Kiel, and claiming their rights as a free and independent nation. They did not dispute Frederick's right to abdicate as Norwegian king, but as he had no son, the union with Denmark was dissolved. The state of affairs was then for them desperate. There had been repeated wars with the Swedes, and Norwegians had been blockaded by the belligerent powers. Harveits

had been bad for several years in succession. The nation was impoverished and the treasury was empty. Not crushed by misfortune, the nation's spirit hardened, and when need was greatest salvation appeared. A national assembly was called at Eidsvoll, and a new constitution, modern and democratic was adopted. They chose for king a Danish prince, Christian Frederick.

In the summer of 1814 the commissioners of the powers went to Norway, with the treaty of Kiel in their hands. But they found a sovereign state, its king at its head, and a people ready to defend their liberty to the utmost. They tried to induce Karl Johan of Sweden to recognize voluntarily Norway's self-government and to negotiate on that basis. This proposal was rejected, and Swedish troops, Karl Johan at their head, invaded Norway. After a few days he proposed an armistice, and negotiations. The treaty of Kiel was set quite aside and an agreement came to, in which Karl Johan recognized the Norwegian constitution. The Norwegian storting met, and determined

that Norway should be united with Sweden as an independent kingdom, and should retain her own constitution, only altered in such points as the union made needful. Christian Frederick of Denmark had already placed his crown in the hands of the people. On Nov. 4, 1814, the storting elected Karl XIII king of Sweden, to be king of Norway too.

Thus two free and independent nations were united on equal terms. The two countries were each to be ruled separately, only with a common king and fellowship in war. For the rest, Norwegians were to have their own laws and institutions, their own army and fleet, their own exchequer, their own customs and their own flag. The resolutions on these points were entered the following year in the act of union, (riksskiftet) binding for both countries, and accepted by the national assemblies of both. In this act of union the equality of the two states is plainly asserted.

During the 90 years of this union there has been continual relation, independence and equality have not been recognized by the larger nation. Time after time Norway has had to defend her rights when Sweden endeavored to obtain supremacy.

In section 22 of the constitution ambassadors and consuls are enumerated among Norwegian officials. It being thus taken for granted that Norway

was to have her own separate representation abroad, appointed by the king in Norwegian council. The Swedish deputies proposed omission of ambassadors and consuls as Norwegian officials, but the storting insisted on and carried the insertion of the clause in the act of union as it stood in the constitution.

In a paragraph of the act of union, identical with the Norwegian constitution in this respect, it is said that the king shall have the right to collect troops, to begin war and to conclude peace, to send out and to receive ambassadors. The act of union contains no general regulation for the management of foreign affairs, which were regarded as more particularly coming under the personal domain of the king. As a fact, however, the king did entrust the management to the Swedish minister for foreign affairs. The ambassadors already appointed for Sweden assumed control of Norway's diplomatic connections abroad as "Swedish-Norwegian" ambassadors, and with regard to consuls the case was similar.

Norway at once opposed this arrangement and has held that attitude throughout the century. She has felt what it was to have no share in the management of foreign affairs, even when those affairs concerned herself only. Matters became still worse in 1885. The Swedish parliament origi-

dal, without negotiation with Norway, made some alterations in her constitution by which the preparation also, of diplomatic matters, was placed in the hands of the Swedish minister for foreign affairs. He was so made responsible to the Swedish parliament for diplomatic matters, while no mention was made of responsibility to the Norwegian storting. Meanwhile the consular question assumed special importance. The demand is for separate Norwegian consuls. Norwegian and Swedish shipping and commerce are in no sense identical—indeed the two countries are frequently rivals in these matters. Norwegian interests abroad demand Norwegian management. The constitution establishes the right, and all publicists admit it. After renewed, but fruitless, discussion with Sweden the storting resolved on June 7, 1895, once more to try negotiation. A committee of seven Norwegians and seven Swedes met, but failed to agree and was dissolved. In 1902 a proposal came from Sweden for a joint committee to settle the question of separate consuls for the two kingdoms, without reference of the larger part of foreign affairs generally. A consular committee was formed, met, reported, and then the two governments deliberated and agreed on a basis of negotiations. This in March, 1903. In May, 1903, the Norwegian government sent to the Swedish a draft

of their proposal. The answer was long in coming, but, when it came, disclosed that under the Norwegian constitution, as it stood, no new minister could be placed under Swedish authority. Other new regulations appeared, which if adopted, the Norwegian prime minister might, would place the seal of dependency on Norway. These paragraphs being adhered to by Sweden, the Norwegian government broke off the negotiations. Then Norway determined to take the matter into her own hands. A special storting committee prepared a report and draft of proposed laws. On May 15, 1904, the nation to adopt passed the legislation, on May 22 the Legation (the two divisions of the storting), and so, immediately, was sent to the king for his sanction.

On May 27, the Norwegian king re-

fused that sanction. The government thereupon requested their dismissal. The king refused to accept their resignation. On June 7, the government resigned. But by the constitution the king cannot govern without his responsible council. The storting, therefore, by unanimous vote, authorized the retiring ministry to exercise royal authority, in accordance with the constitution, this being a declaration that the union had ceased to exist.

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