IN SCANDINAVIA.

Commemoration of the First Baptisms in Copenhagen 44 years Ago.

More Than 42,000 Have Received the Gospel Since Then in the Scandinavian Countries.

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK, August 17th, 1894.

Editor Deseret News:

It might probably be interesting to the readers of the *News* to hear an item of late from the far North. We have enjoyed a beautiful summer here in this city, though at times it has been rather too rainy weather, especially to suit us Utah boys, who are used to an arid and healthy mountain climate.

Last Sunday, August 12, the Latter-day Saints' Sunday-school and all the members of the Copenhagen branch had a pleasant gathering in the Nordermarken park, and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon we held a meeting, by special permission of the city authorities, in the chestnut grove of said park. The occasion of our gathering was for a double purpose. First, it was to give the Sunday school children a chance to have a general recreation in the open air, and secondly, it was a day of memory, being just forty-four years since the first Danish members in this town were baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints by Elder Erastus Snow. Conference President C. J. Christensen had charge of the meeting. All the members of the choir were present. Meeting opened with singing "Lofpriser vor Fruelser." Prayer, and singing: "Saa tokker en Grundvold."

Mission President Peter Sundwall then spoke to the congregation. He dwelt upon the subject of the day, and showed how this latter-day work, from the first 15 members 44 years ago, has swelled to number thousands of souls at the present time; that at the end of the year 1892 over 42,000 souls had been baptized in these three Scandinavian countries, and of which number about 20,000 have emigrated to Utah. He then stated how the Gospel had been preached and expounded in every part of these countries; hundreds of Elders from Zion have been sent over here, and an extensive publication of literary works, such as tracts, books, small and large, together with the periodicals *Skandinavisk Stjerne* and *Nordstjernan* has been and still is carried on for the furtherance of this great latter-day work. He said, this great work of salvation is spreading in a similar manner all over the world, and the humble and obedient are gathering home to Zion as fast as they can. He set forth how the Mormons have established and redeemed the wilderness in the far West, that they have gained the confidence of the nation and finally have succeeded in this fair Territory being admitted to become a state in the American Union.

The choir then sang, "Zion, Zion."

Elder C. J. Christensen next addressed the assembly, which had by that time swelled to a considerable size from the promenaders in the park. He bore a fine testimony to the truth of the Gospel and expounded the first principles of the same.

The meeting closed with singing and benediction.

The program for the day had to be shortened on account of rain setting in after the meeting. In conclusion the good sisters of Copenhagen served an excellent picnic lunch under the shelter of the sheds in the adjoining pleasure resort, "Pepar Alley." Everybody returned home well fed, both spiritually and temporally.

Yours in the cause of truth,

JOHN A. OLSEN.

STRIPED CUCUMBER BEETLE.

How to Protect Squashes, Cucumbers, Melons and Other Plants From Its Attacks.

This yellow beetle, with black stripes on its back, is too familiar an object to need a detailed description. It feeds on the leaves and stems of the plants and destroys them. While grasshoppers generally are not taken, the female beetle deposit eggs in the soil about the stems of the plants, and the larvæ resulting feed upon the roots. They work naturally in a couple of months, having pupated within the soil. The larvæ are

BEETLE AND LARVA REDUCED.

whitish, cylindrical worms, and quite half an inch long. The most winters over in the beetle state under loose logs and rubbish of various kinds.

The beetles usually appear suddenly, coming to the spinach or melon patch in great numbers within a few hours. Among the remedies suggested are applications of tobacco powder, plaster, lime dust and other substances. Coal tar, Paris green and other poisonous substances are used in the kitchen garden. The Rural New Yorker in its "Manual on Insects and Insecticides" suggests simple methods of doing this. In new plantations the sides of half a barrel hoop are placed in the earth at the edge of the hill, and a quantity of dirt, dried stalks or shavings is

PLANT PROTECTION.

placed in them. The hoop being thus set, the vines covered with loose earth. This excludes the beetles and at the same time permits access of air, moisture and sunshine. Female insects are able to gnaw until they get from or into hoops, and consequently subject even more, unless they are engaged in copulation with the males. Care must be taken that the hoops have no holes.

A single piece, sure to end, if they may be pressed like the pieces sold of a tomato panel.

Good results are also obtained by simply placing the dirt and coal plants. Without any support and covering the

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plant as described. In removing the stalk immediately the plant will lift it and get several leaves before it need be covered. A modification of this method consists of two small boards one-half inch thick, about 15 inches long by 8 or 9 inches wide. On the middle of each of these is nailed a piece of painted tin at right angles to the long way of the board. The lower end of each tin piece below the edge of the board and is stuck in the ground a few inches. Before the latter are put on the seed pieces are covered well with earth either by a piece of plant cloth about 18 by 27 inches, the tin being tacked on the top and sides of the board. This protector can be stored in small space. When desired to cultivate the hills it is only necessary to pull up one end and stir the earth and put the end back in position.

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BLACK HAMBURG COCK.

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