

THE SCANDINAVIAN FATHERLAND.

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SWEDEN.

Typhoid fever is raging epidemically in Lysekil.

Influenza is now raging epidemically all over southern Sweden.

Judge J. A. Eliasson died in Hokerkulla, Tysslinge, at the age of 80 years.

A telephone line between the cities of Gefle and Hudiksvall was opened for the public the other day.

A convention of Swedish book printers, which will last for several days, was opened here today.

It has now been decided, that the John Ericsson monument at Philipstad will be dedicated Sept. 15th next year.

S. F. Landgren, one of the most prominent citizens and merchants of Stockholm, died at the age of 73 years.

Rev. G. Linner, of Linneryd, has been suspended, pending investigations in regard to his character and moral life.

Miss V. Fahlstedt, of Umeo, has donated 10,000 kronor to the university of Upsala.

Captain David Lycke was drowned off Lysekil. He was a well-known citizen of that town, 65 years of age, and leaves a wife and several children.

Dr. Ph. B. P. A. Hjelmquist, the pastor of the Herslof parish of the Lund diocese, died at the age of 70 years.

The Crown Princess Victoria is very weak, and it is probable, that she will again visit Italy or Egypt, after having paid a visit to her parents in Carlsruhe.

The new Odd Fellow building in Eslof was dedicated with solemn ceremonies. The Odd Fellow order is only a few years old in Sweden.

G. Renholm, the well-known journalist, has bought the Stockholm *Nyheter* (News), and will be the editor-in-chief of said paper.

The largest known meteor is the one, which is owned by the Stockholm Academy of Science. The weight of that meteor is 50,000 pounds.

J. G. Victorin, a Swedish teacher, is introducing the Swedish Sloyd System in the public schools of Buenos Ayres, and is meeting with great success.

Dr. Erik Nystrom, the well-known missionary, who has been visiting in Sweden, has returned to active work in northern Africa.

Mrs. Brita Ersdotter, of Konungso in the parish of Vestermo, celebrated her one hundredth birthday. Notwithstanding her advanced age, she is in splendid health.

The most important export industries of Sweden are the timber trade—in which respect Sweden occupies the very foremost rank of all countries in the world—the match and paper industries; the manufacture of machinery, though in this latter branch much is imported; and the important iron and steel trades.

Mrs. Ellen Hartman, the much-talked-of eloping actress will reappear on the stage of the Royal Dramatic Theater as

"Frou-Frou" in the play of the same name. Mr. F. Hedlund, her brother, who was connected with the former McCaull Opera Company in America some years ago, is at present meeting with great success as an actor of said theater.

Popular education is compulsory in Sweden and almost entirely free of charge. Out of 777,610 children of school-age, in 1892, there were but 26,574 not availing themselves of tuition, either on account of illness, physical defects or other causes. Besides these, 29,803 had already passed the standards of the National Schools and for this reason were exempt from tuition. Of the remaining 721,233 children 656,947 received instruction in the National Schools; 16,532 in private scholastic establishments; 13,470 in schools importing secondary education, or technical schools, and 34,284 in their own homes, being in this case under the control of the School Board.

NORWAY.

The city of Kristiansund has now not far from 11,000 inhabitants.

The Christiania electric railway will soon be opened to the public.

Gunnar Berg, the well-known artist, had his leg amputated the other day.

The *Dagbladet* is now abusing everybody, who does not take part for the Left.

Sheep by the thousands are now being exported from Stavanger to England nearly every week.

The new telephone line between Christiania and Kongsvinger was opened to the public.

J. Nygaard, the Norwegian missionary, died on the island of Madagascar at the age of 53 years.

The only adherent of the Right party in Eastern Slindre in Valdres is the pastor of the parish.

The Norwegian Bible Society has given away more than 600,000 bibles since its organization.

During the last century each year there were 26,700 deaths per million inhabitants, while in the latest decade but 16,900.

Several of Bjornstjerne Bjornson's dramas have been translated into French, and will soon be published in that language.

Bjornson's new play, which is soon to be published, is a continuation of his drama "Over Evne," performed in 1883 for the first time in Norway.

Værg dit Land (defend your country) will be the name of the new paper, which is to be published by the friend of the matter of defense in Norway.

The members of the former Steen cabinet were all invited to the court ball recently given by the king, but refused to come.

During his last visit to Christiania, King Oscar appointed Henrik Ibsen, the famous Norwegian author, a Knight of the Great Cross of the St. Olaf Order.

Mme. Marcella Lembrich, the great singer, donated 300 francs to the poor of Christiania at her last concert in that city.

As a general rule the Norwegian sailors do not sympathize with the doings of the radicals. They seem to have no use for the "pure" flag, nearly always hoisting the union banner.

The money collected by the matter of defense by the women of Christiania amounts now to 600,000 kroner, and it has been decided to build a torpedo boat at a cost of said sum.

Prof. Gude, the Norwegian painter, has also been made a Knight of the Great Cross of the St. Olaf Order. Prof. Gude is the first Norwegian artist and Henrik Ibsen the first author, who have received the great cross of that order.

The Norwegian artists are not satisfied with the sale of their paintings at the World's Fair. The Swedish artists sold about twice as many pictures as their Norwegian brethren, although it cannot be said, that the Norwegian paintings were in any way inferior.

DENMARK.

The Queen is reported to be ill.

Rev. Jorgen Andersen, of Tved, is dead.

Lawyer C. V. Gyldenfeldt, of Bornholm, is dead.

Several cases of small-pox are reported from Langeland.

The large Hentzen bakery in Oedis was burned to the ground.

Some hired men in Denmark receive only \$10 (ten) wages a year.

Mr. Robert Kirtz has been appointed United States consul in Copenhagen.

Influenza and typhoid fever are raging epidemically on the island of Fyen.

The large Kattrup farm was burned down, and dozens of cattle were roasted to death.

A new novel by Herman Bang, the eccentric author, is soon to be published.

The telephone line between Malmo and Copenhagen is pronounced a great success.

Soren Nygaard, a butcher of Randers, was drowned in the harbor of Sonderbro.

Large numbers of sheep have been exported to France during the last weeks.

Miss Frida Scotta (Schytt), the violinist, is meeting with a great success in London.

The large flat-building at the corner of Stengade and St. Annegade in Helsingor was burned down.

A Scandinavian photographic exposition will be held in Copenhagen some time next year.

Influenza and small-pox are reported from several of the parishes around Copenhagen.

Dr. Ed. Ehlers will make a trip to Iceland for the purpose of studying the kind of leprosy which exists there.

A giant herring was caught by a fisher of Dragsback the other day. The fish was twenty inches long, and weighed nearly four pounds.

Editor Peter Vilhelm Grove, one of the most prominent of Danish journalists, is dead. He was the former editor-in-chief of the Copenhagen *Dagbladet*.