

NEW SWEDEN DOWN IN MAINE

Glimpses of the Most Famous Colony Ever Planted in This Country.

REMARKABLE GROWTH IN 25 YEARS

Grand Vista of Farms Owned by Thrifty People—The Colony's One Tragedy—Scenes in a Day's Drive.

CARBOU, Me., Nov. 11.—"From here on it's all Sweden."

The driver indicated by a sweep of his arm all the farms to be seen ahead of us from Caribou it was eight miles over a road as smooth and hard as asphalt, and now we were on the edge of New Sweden, the most flourishing colony ever planted on American soil.



LOG HOUSE FURNISHED BY THE STATE FOR THE FIRST COLONISTS—THE MODERN FARM HOUSE—A CREATION OF NEW SWEDEN.

Founding the Colony. Hon. William Wigerly Thomas, ex-minister to Sweden, founded New Sweden in 1870.

On June 25, 1870, under his guidance, fifty-one Swedes sailed from Gothenburg to America.

The colony was composed of twenty-two men, eleven women and eighteen children. All the men were farmers and many of them were also skilled in other trades and professions.

The day after reaching their destination the Swedes began converting the wilderness into homes. To put them in the way of earning their living by their own labor Mr. Thomas set them to work felling trees, cutting roads and building houses.

It was hard work but everyone aided. In the fields the men and women worked side by side, and the potato field was the playground of the youngsters.

"I met one," he says, "a Swede woman about carrying on her back a bulging sack."

Results of a Year's Toil. That is the way they worked and that is also the way they lived and they were successful.

"This is all New Sweden," continued the driver, checking his team to give time to observation. We were at the top of Landgrin's hill, and from where we stood the land sloped in every direction to the thick forest in Maine who are the direct result of this enterprise.

"A Business Romance. Ole pointed out by far the prettiest and

side with northern pine and hardwood, embowering it in a latticed framework, through which the Landgrin farm, with its busy family of toilers, the old church and the pastor's home could be seen in glimpses.

Enormous Potato Crops. On every side were neat farm houses, some of them tidy and warmly built, with barns three and four times their size.

"Good day, Gabriel," he called in Swedish. "Good day, Ole!" and a tall faxen-haired man came up to the wagon.

"How are your potatoes coming on?" "Fine," answered the farmer in fair English; "about 300 to the acre."

The farmer shrugged his broad shoulders. At the lower end of the field, drawn by two horses, rolled the potato digging machine, which looked like a harrow, and left a double row of pink tubers in its wake which were being literally shoveled into baskets by the farm hands.

potatoes as a grown-up, and this is the great harvest among the Aroostook Swedes. But it is hard work, and there is plenty of it. They get up at 4 in the morning; at 5 they are at work, and they keep at it until it is too dark to distinguish a potato from an earth ball.

Preachers Who Farm. The First Lutheran church is built on the Landgrin farm. It is a plain, white structure, bare and simple, quite different from the rather gaudy Baptist meeting house down the road.

A POTATO PARADISE. They were also furnished with cooking stoves the same year a public building called this day "The Capitol," was erected, wherein all public functions not given in the various churches are held.

by night," which covered the trees on either side with crimson.

"Gorgeous!" "Dust," said Ole, "and a ray of the sun away nook, but even here \$500 a year is not enough to rear and educate a family unless it is pieced out with some kind of labor.

A Colony Sorrow. "We stop here," said Ole, and he turned the team off to the side of the road. Around the bend there came a procession.

"Whom art he?" asked Ole. "Carl Martenson," whispered one of the men in the front seat.

Ole's informant nodded his head gravely. The dead man was a farmer's son. The parents and family mourners came after the hearse in buggies and buckboards.

A New Yorker has patented an apparatus for drying the hair after washing or shampooing, a metallic casing having a heating stove at the bottom with a fan which blows the air being drawn to the top of the casing and blowing through a funnel by means of a revolving fan.

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dearest farmhouse on the road. It is painted red, and even the mammoth barns are warm with color. It is the summer house of B. Hallgrin, a well known carver of the metropolis. His story reads like a romance.

At the foot of the hill there is a sawmill, deserted now while the mill hands have left for the winter. It is a tall, narrow building, which is set in a hard wood thicket.

A Colony Tragedy. "Over yonder is the tree where little Christine Svensson was found," said Ole. "Little Christine Svensson?"

Then the driver related the loss of a child from her father's home the third year of the colony. She was in the swamp after water when a bear and her cub frightened the child, who left the path and was lost.

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Tomorrow will be cold—

but that ought not keep you away from our store—the special attraction for the ladies tomorrow will be a new shoe by Hannan & Son, made after their celebrated man's feet, this making it absolutely man fashion—the finest quality of vicil kid—in the extreme ball dog toe—genuine welt in solid sole leather, sole just like a man's shoe—an awful easy shoe on the foot and one that won't necessarily require rubbers.

Our new specialties have arrived and those who have been waiting should come in at once—do not try to select souvenirs on Saturdays.

Drexel Shoe Co.,

Omaha's Up-to-date Shoe House, 1419 FARNAM STREET

Christmas goods—

are beginning to be seen in our store—some elegant razor sets just received—we would like to show them to you—and at the same time show you the Genuine Jewel heating stoves, the Imperial Jewel—three sizes—\$30—\$35 and \$40—the duplex grate and solid rotating fire pot—will heat more space with less fuel than any other stove made—so constructed as to take up the cold air from the floor, thus increasing its radiating power 42 per cent—a very handsome stove as well.

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Omaha Carpet Co

Omaha's Exclusive Carpet House, 1515 Dodge St.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Will Soon Be Here—What Are You Going to Give Mother, Brother and Sister?

Henry Copley, Jeweler, 215 S. 16th St., Can Help You in This Matter—Come in Now, Select Any Article, Have It Engraved and Call for It at Christmas. Note the Following Prices.

Ladies' fine hand engraved enameled watch, different colors, pin to match, for \$34.00. Tiny chat, gold filled watch, pin to match, \$12.50. Jet black gun metal chat watch, for \$7.50. These are beautiful and very popular. A gentleman's handsome gold filled watch from \$10.00 to \$25.00. The finest watch made, a Harvard movement, in solid 14kt gold case, for \$75.00 to \$100.00.

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Free to Millions.

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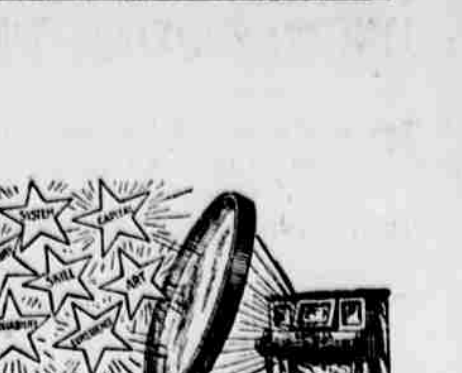
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