

WOMEN OF THE NORTH LAND

Leading Characteristics of Those of the Scandinavian Peninsula.

PHYSICAL BEAUTY, PHYSICAL STRENGTH

Some of Them Vote, Do a Man's Work and Want No Sympathy—Skilled in Household Arts—Taste in Dress.

As in most countries where the struggle for existence is keen, where a rigorous climate and an unfruitful soil have minimized luxury, the women of Scandinavia inherit with their brothers vigor of mind and body. Of the inhabitants of the three countries, Norway, Sweden and Denmark, the Norwegians possess the greatest physical comeliness, and they are far more viraculous, though a degree less polite than the Swedes. Tall, finely proportioned, with regular features and a much less Slavonic cast of countenance, one sees everywhere, in city and village splendid types of beauty which are by no means confined to the higher classes. The women are the fairest type of blondes, with yellow, silken hair, blue eyes and good figures, enhanced among the peasantry by the picturesque national dresses of blue and scarlet, with white bodices, peasant-waist and corset-like waist cap. With this costume antique silver ornaments are worn, pins, chains and brooches, not unlike those of the Swiss, and which represent no small part of the family wealth.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Sallie law in Norway has barred the election of a woman to the throne, women, nevertheless, have enjoyed a remarkable degree of freedom and authority, due in part at least to their physical and intellectual force. There is a three-fold system of government schools, to which girls are admitted on equal footing with boys, although they are instructed separately—in the lower grades by women and in the upper, grammar and high schools, by instructors of both sexes. In the higher schools tuition is paid, and religious teaching is compulsory, regular examinations being conducted by Lutheran clergymen—the opponents of the national faith. Women are also admitted to the technical schools, where they largely devote themselves to the decorative arts, although a few, of late years, have given evidence of decided ability in the study of architecture. As in other countries, they have shown signal ability as trained nurses and in medicine—practicing among women and children.

Social Division. Society is divided into distinct gradations, as elsewhere throughout the world, in which the old nobility take precedence of the clergy and the wealthier manufacturers and tradesmen ranking second and third. Extreme deference is paid to rank and position. In the higher schools tuition is paid, and religious teaching is compulsory, regular examinations being conducted by Lutheran clergymen—the opponents of the national faith. Women are also admitted to the technical schools, where they largely devote themselves to the decorative arts, although a few, of late years, have given evidence of decided ability in the study of architecture. As in other countries, they have shown signal ability as trained nurses and in medicine—practicing among women and children.

The vast amount of eating and drinking which goes on everywhere makes abundant work for the housekeeper and servants. So far as this is concerned, the foreigner, there are, first, the rolls and coffee served in one's room at 7; breakfast at 9, which is a generous and substantial meal; a light luncheon at 12; dinner at 2; coffee again at 4; supper at 7, and, if the hang of hunger must again be allayed, a moderate luncheon is sent to one's room before retiring. Of course, the cold climate permits this frequent eating, but it is difficult to believe that it is absolutely necessary. There is, in and around Christiania, an American aspect that is a constant surprise; the marked difference being the beautiful cleanliness of the parks and streets. Women are occupied in business everywhere, and everywhere in shops and hotels the women in charge speak English with fluency and correctness. For it is a language that they are taught from early childhood in their schools. Like the women of Sweden, they dress with great taste, and the clothing of the very poorest is clean and whole. The fishwives in the market are the very antithesis of those of Billingsgate, London. With their neat black stuff gowns, black straw hats—the broad brims tied down with white kerchiefs—their fair skins, bright eyes and cheeks like roses, they are as attractive in manner as in appearance.

Work on the Farms. On the farms, strong, rugged girls do more than their share of the work, since they must not only help in the planting and harvesting, but prepare the food for the family, take charge of the dairy and make and mend the clothing, which, it seems, is never permitted to become shabby or ragged. Sympathy is wasted upon them, however, for they themselves would be the first to repudiate it, since their free, natural life has endowed them with the strength to perform easily whatever share of the labor may have been allotted to them. The stout peasant, with sturdy muscles that a man might envy, climbing the incline—not a ladder—up the wall of a growing building, handles her burden, her mortar easily, erect as a ship's mast. It is probable that, if consulted, she would not change places with her feeble sister shut up in a sweltering kitchen, with her head bent over a steaming washbowl or a red-hot kitchen stove. The fishermen, too, as

Men and Monkeys Or Who Stole the Coconut.

Scene: Editorial rooms Daily Nuisance. Staff meeting in progress. Time: Too late to remedy. Dramatis Personae—Howler, wise editor; Ashbarrel, one of the owners; Duffer, editorial clipper and grape-vine specialist; Constant Reeder, at the other end of the telephone. Curtain rises with all members of the staff grouped about the editor's desk. Ashbarrel in the chair. Ashbarrel (with one eye on the pay roll and the other on the assignment book)—I see I am paying \$13 per week to Duffer to review books, write editorials, make the grapevine telegraph, edit the also-thoughtful department, cover the hay market and do a few other odds and ends. Now I want to ask if the staff believes the editorial page is as bright and strong as it ought to be. I understand that one of the editorials printed under the caption of "Darwin Reversed" has created a regular furor in Omaha, and it seems that in trying to solve the man and monkey problem we have set half the town to talking about us. Howler—Mr. Ashbarrel, I don't quite understand you. Are you insinuating or just alluding. I want you to know that I had nothing to do with that man and monkey editorial. Duffer—I didn't write the editorial on men and monkeys, I can prove an alibi. I simply clipped it from a Buffalo paper and Howler didn't rub any rust on the shears while I was doing it, either. You know how it saves time and trouble, too, and I couldn't have written it any better. Ashbarrel—What? Clipped an editorial and not give credit? That's stealing.

Duffer—Why not? Is it any worse to steal editorials than to steal telegraphs? Ashbarrel and Howler (in excited exclamations)—Of course it is. Editorial theft prostitutes your profession. Then, too, you're more apt to be caught. Duffer—But the telegraph costs more money. Ashbarrel—Howler, as my personal representative while I am away from the office sleuthing evidence in kidnapping cases. It seems to me you ought to exercise a more watchful eye and see that we do not put our foot in it so far. Back at Youngstown we used to borrow an editorial occasionally, but we were always careful. We made sure to change a comma or two and shuffle up the grammar a little. We never stopped with merely writing a new headline. Howler—I tell you again, Mr. Ashbarrel, I am not to blame. I can prove a better alibi than Duffer. Duffer—That's right; lay it on me. But I never yet was so bold as to steal an editorial entitled, "Editorial Piracy." Ashbarrel—Did somebody on this paper do that? Very reprehensible! Most reprehensible conduct! Howler—it wasn't me. I can prove an alibi. Duffer—Oh, no. It just worked its way into the Daily Nuisance all by itself. Loud ringing of the telephone bell—so loud that the sound reverberates throughout the adjoining junk shops and rattles the lids on all the second-hand stoves. Howler rushes to answer. Howler—Yes, this is sixteen-eighty, and this is Mr. Howler talking to you. What can the Daily Nuisance do for you?

A Story of an Up-to-Date Yellow Journal.

Howler talks through the telephone with intermittent interruptions—What's that you say? You want to compliment us on our strong editorial utterances—You've been a reader of the Daily Nuisance since before it was started? Well, I'm glad to hear that—Just a little louder, please—What's that? You never knew before whether men were descended from monkeys or monkeys from men?—Well, I'm glad to be able to give you food for thought through our paper—You say you read the same article in the Buffalo news paper by a fellow a few days before, only under a different heading? Well, that can't be—you say it's true because you compared them yourself, word for word? Well, you must give the Daily Nuisance credit anyway for writing a new headline. What's that other question—want to know whether we wrote that article on newspaper piracy ourselves?—Now, that'll do, if you don't want to take our paper, you can stop your subscription. You're only paying 8 cents a week, anyway, and what do you expect for 8 cents? Well, you call up the business office—ring off there, central. Ashbarrel—I guess I'll have to look into this further. This staff meeting stands adjourned. Howler—It's almost time for our next edition. Here, Duffer, hurry out and buy a couple of evening papers or we won't have any news at all. Exit Duffer on the run. Howler—After he had cut out and exchanged for a monkey. "I think I'll have that office cat taken out and exchanged for a monkey." Curtain.

stat with the nets, landing them, sorting and curing the catch; and they also live to a ripe and vigorous old age. Within the past year Norway has conferred municipal suffrage upon women. Those who have reached the age of 25, and have been householders—ratepayers and taxpayers—for five years, with an annual income of not less than \$81, or who have husbands who pay taxes upon this amount, are now qualified to vote in municipal elections. An unmarried woman living with her parents is disfranchised unless she, too, has an income equaling the sum fixed by the law—the newly amended law being based upon a property qualification, with no distinction as regards sex. The exercise of the franchise, as a matter of course, qualifies Norwegian women for holding any

of Norway the life of Sweden differs somewhat from that of its progressive neighbors. Being the real residence of the court which visits Christiania only at stated seasons, the social life is more conventional, although the rulers, since the first Bernadotte, have become more and more democratic. Not only is the palace thrown open on certain days to the general public, but processions of inquisitive foreigners and loyal subjects are conducted through the private rooms where the king has been reading an hour before, and the queen's work basket and her sewing implements are standing just as she left them upon her table. The schools, like those of Norway, are graded, and the sexes are taught separately, the course being practically the same for

There is amongst them, however, a marked artistic spirit, which, given any scope, manifests itself often surprisingly, and is to be found amongst the peasantry as often as elsewhere. Danish women almost equal the French cooks, and it is imperative that every girl be thoroughly trained, not only in this branch of domestic art, but in sewing, knitting, darning and mending, all their schooling and training tending to fit them, not for an independent career, which it must be confessed comparatively few of them regard with favor, but for good householding. Even the queen, who is the mother of the present queen of England, did not depart from this rule. The family was poor, and although the royal mother married her handsome daughters into half the reigning families of Europe, she had them taught how to run their own households, and to make their own gowns. And it is an accomplishment which, it is said, Queen Alexandra has passed on to her own daughters. MARY H. KROUT.

S. A. Ingalls, Crown Point, N. Y., writes: "My wife suffered from kidney trouble for years. She was induced to try Fajal's Kidney Cure and in less than a week after she began using it she was greatly improved and three bottles cured her."

OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

The ten splendid horses which the sultan of Morocco sent to the emperor of Germany this summer have proved unable to stand the climate of north Germany and have nearly all sickened and died. There has been quite a spread recently of magazine stories telling what animal trainers and breeders can do, or would do, in emergencies. The shortest and best anecdote has for its chief figure George Santer, and the name of his horse is Balaam. On being asked what story he would like to tell about Balaam's feat, he said "Balaam, being the son of a blacksmith, was naturally fond of horses. He had a fine pair of horses, with the result that valuable experience was gained all around. Among the interesting things on view with the collection of books by negro authors at Buffalo is an autograph of Webster, dated March 2, 1840, in which he speaks of the freedom of Paul Jennings. He signed to work out the same at 8 a month, but he found it hard to do, and he was willing to begin when we return south. His name is Paul Jennings. The name of the son of one of President Madison's secretaries, and his second name is James. He became a body servant of Madison's and afterward wrote a "Colored Man's Reminiscences of President Madison."

An optician is thus quoted in the Philadelphia Freeman after forming the road men, pilots and men in whose business keenness and correctness of vision are of essential importance. He says "I have not seen an eye which has a ready look from such an eye appears to read you through, and the eye is so clear that you can see through it. I have discovered that very few blue-eyed people are compelled to wear glasses. Blue eyes are very attractive, but brown eyes are the most beautiful. Intellectually, blue eyes indicate a genius, and hazel eyes indicate a talent, and the rarest is violet."

LABOR AND INDUSTRY. Farm laborers of Indiana went out on a strike after forming a union. Like all wages and shorter hours, and were higher in the last twenty years the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners has increased by 8,560, from 1,200 in 1870 to 10,760 in 1900. The largest cheese in the world is in the Pan-American exposition. It weighs 1,100 pounds, is twenty inches high, thirty-six inches in diameter and was made out of 1,500 quarts of milk. It is said that automobiles have so cheapened the cost of harvesting grain in the immense California fields that wheat can be raised there at less actual cost than in the Argentine Republic.

According to reports wages continue to increase steadily in Great Britain. A year ago wages were going up there is now a steady decline and the number of unemployed is increasing. Much the same condition exists on the continent. There are 122 cotton mills in operation or under construction in South Carolina and on the basis of assessments returns that the value is estimated at \$1,000,000. The makers of cotton manufactures are extremely important industry in a state of the size of North Carolina. The statistics of the strikes in France for June have just been published. In all, the total for the first six months of the year was 20. The same period in 1900 yielded 28, which shows an agreeable falling off in the discontent of the working classes. Houdouin, the Swiss inventor and chemist, has effected a remarkable discovery concerning the manufacture of oxygen upon an extensive scale for commercial purposes. The inventor has been engaged for three years upon this invention, and has a laboratory in Geneva, where he is professor of chemistry and physics. The striking seaman and affiliated trades union in Great Britain is now in a new other powerful club. The Sailors' union has been dragged into court by the Pacific Coast Steamship company, which, after receiving the serious injury done by the deckhands, individually and collectively, prays for damages against them for alleged violation of contract, boycotting, etc.

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A NORWEGIAN BEAUTY.

office in the gift of the municipal authorities, whose jurisdiction extends to the various departments of public works, the public schools and even the harbor commission. Since 1884, has been planned by Miss Gina Kroeg who has been called "the Susan B. Anthony of Norway." The reform is the natural outcome of enlightened public opinion and of public sentiment, which liberal thinkers, like Ibsen, have been instrumental in shaping. Miss Kroeg is a woman about 50 years of age, of much culture and social influence, with the natural gift of leadership. Thoroughly fitted for the work she has undertaken, she regards her present triumph only as an encouragement for future agitation, and is pledged to continue what she has begun, until men and women are equal before the law in every particular. With a climate rather colder than that

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- BEGIN WELL IS TO DINE WELL.**

Preparing and Serving Meals in One or More Courses.

The cook who can successfully lead the diner from one triumph to another so that satiety doth not wait upon appetite is not she who provides the greatest number of rich dishes and surprising novelties, but she who has the judgment and skill to prepare from the simplest and plainest everyday viands a neat repast that shall feast us light and honest, of Attic taste. Many housewives would like to follow the custom of serving their family dinners in courses, but are deterred from so doing through the belief that this practice entails a great deal of extra labor and time. If not expense, and they still continue to "dish everything up at once." This custom as a rule precludes soups and salads, so essential to every dinner.

Teach the Daughters How.

In households where "help" is not possible and there are growing or even grown up daughters (and it were wise to include the sons as well) no more useful training could be given than that which will teach them not only how to prepare a course dinner, but how to serve it properly. This knowledge they will bless you for in after years, or if they do not others who come in contact with them at the table will. It will not only serve them in ordering their own households, but will put them at ease when, perchance, they are brought into society where the strict observance

quantity of water for several hours; then the potatoes, turnips and cabbage are added and cooked until tender, meat and vegetables are taken out and the water thrown away. The meat is placed on a dish without the least attempt at garnishing and the vegetables served just as they are taken from the boiler. These viands are possibly followed by apple pie, which should be placed on the table at once. Now take the same materials and proceed as follows: The day before this dinner is to be served wash and trim the meat or have the butcher tie it into shape like a rolled roast, cover it well with water and after allowing it to come gradually to boiling point place it where it will cook very gently until it can be pierced with a fork easily, but will not break apart. Uncover and set where it will cool and then cover and let stand until the next day. Skim off all fat and remove the meat to another boiler, add just enough of the liquor to steam the meat, let it heat thoroughly and set over the fire to get hot. Boil your potatoes in fresh water and wash them; cut the turnips and a few carrots into little balls (if you have a vegetable scoop, which costs but 10 cents), or into neat cubes and boil in a part of the salted water or, to have a better color, in fresh salt water until tender. If you prefer your cabbage boiled in the liquor from the meat, cut the cabbage in quarters or eighths, soak in cold water for an hour, then cook until just tender but not broken or dark colored. Dish up the meat on a hot platter; removing the strings, arrange around it the sections of cabbage with points outward, each section several inches apart, and place in the intersections the carrot and turnip balls, alternately. Then add a touch of green, a few sprigs of parsley or cress. The former from your box of growing parsley that no housewife need be without in town or country. The soup to accompany this dinner may be made from the liquor after the cabbage is boiled; cutting up a little of the cabbage and adding a few noodles or a little plain boiled vermicelli and seasoning it nicely. Serve less than half a pint to each person. Instead of the apple pie serve apple compote, apple whip or baked apple without cream.

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