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### RUSSIA, SWEDEN AND DENMARK.

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Dear Editor:—I have endeavored to send you a few impressions of the countries visited without going into detail, hoping to incite enough interest in some to read their histories where they can combine the religious and political (which in these countries go hand in hand) with the geographical view point and thereby get a more lasting and comprehensive idea of how goes the affairs of nations we are wont to consider out of the world.

After crossing Russia the Great I am almost constrained to break over in description of the wonderful Kremlin of Moscow, at whose walls can be properly laid the down fall of Napoleon and where the blood of Russe and Tartar have been shed in profusion, of execution square, just outside the wall, where Peter the Great in barbaric anger put to death (by beheading) the old guard of the many historic and magnificent churches (the Pineapple Church or Church of St. Basil and Church of the Savior, leading in architecture and grandeur); of the wonderful palaces of Moscow and St. Petersburg; of the beautiful Volga River, and alas the other side of the river, the poverty of the peasantry. I restrain myself, however, through lack of ability to paint the picture and weave the story in justice to them.

One can hardly believe that Russia comprises one sixth of the land area of the world but such is the case and if one travels as we have done for eleven days and still has not reached the western border line it is more easy to comprehend the magnitude of the Czar's domain. There are Kings and Emperors but the Little Father, as he is called, is by far the most potent monarch that rules the destinies of men. It is a rude shock to the pardonable Ego that we Americans have for our country to travel through Russia. Ours is a country of vast resources made great by our heterogeneous population that have blended into the most progressive people to be found anywhere, and from the further fact that we have taken advantage of the opportunities and resources at our command applicable to nations is that old adage of man, which runs, "Their is a time in the affairs of men which if taken at the flood leads on to fortune." Here in Russia at the very door of her 160 millions of people lay untold resources yet barely scratched. First of all Russia has enough fertile land (only a small portion of which is under cultivation) to provide food stuffs for one-third of the world's population. Practically all kinds of cereals, including our much coveted Indian corn, grow abundantly, and in her bosom are found iron, copper, zinc, tin, platinum, salt, coal, diamonds, rubies, countless semi-precious stones, all kinds of marble, etc., also can be found thousands of miles of virgin timber, inhabited by all kinds of furred animals; in fact here can be found practically all the necessities and luxuries of man. I have never seen a country so like our own and when her 112 million of peasants become more enlightened, Russia will go forward by leaps and bounds. One cannot but wonder at the defeat of Russia by that egotistical dot on the earth's surface—Japan—when you compare the resources of the two nations. The answer is that the people of Russia were not in sympathy with the war, reasoning that Russia already had millions of acres of undeveloped land and that there was no need of sacrificing lives for more, overlooking the need of an all the year round open sea port for the development of the commerce of their country.

Nowhere can such contrast among men be found as here. The rich are very wealthy and the poor very poor. It is estimated that the Czar's private income from lands and investments is over 500 million dollars annually, and one can find many, including some of peasant origin, worth 200 to 300 million rubles (ruble 53 cents our money). The interesting history of the Eastern nations centers around their religion and Russia is a pronounced example. Their universal religion is Greek Catholic, with the Czar as the head of the church and I have seen in the treasury of the churches and crown billions of dollars worth of jewels and plate. In fact should occasion require it the churches of Russia could finance the country in case of war and famine. A church service at one of the great cathedrals, with the gorgeously gowned priests, who sing the service with voices that would rival a grand opera star (this is no exaggeration) banked on every side by poorly clad devout peasants, is a

sight never to be forgotten. The universal impression, however, that the people of Russia are mere chatties is wrong and I was gratified to find her keeping step with the rest of humanity by giving to her people more and more freedom and voice in the management of the affairs of state.

From Russia we journeyed up through Finland, which is now in reality a part of the Russe Empire. Finland is noted for its progressiveness. Here women have an equal voice in affairs, but I sincerely trust that when the right of franchise comes to the women of our own land, as it surely will, that I do not find them reduced to the level of man, doing the manual labor of the country at about 15 cents a day.

From Helsingfors we sailed through the beautiful archipelago of the Finnish Gulf, across the Baltic Sea to Stockholm, the capitol of beautiful, contented, peaceful Sweden; down across the country by the Gothenburg Canal; thence across the Channel to that great big little country Denmark.

The fact is I made a vow that if I ever left the United States again I would go to Denmark and I am more than pleased to have done so.

Denmark is a fine country and seems to be enjoying prosperity. Unless one goes back into the history of Denmark they will fail to appreciate the influence this little giant has had in the world at large. Her people have been fighters, civilizers and good citizens for centuries and from her Royal family have come more rulers and consorts of other countries than any other, the old queen being called the Mother-in-Law of Europe. As I leave her shores I shall exclaim, as many of her sons who are now good American citizens have done, Paa Gensyn. We have had a fine time and now that it is about over if I were to be asked which end of the journey I enjoyed the most, I would probably answer as did the Swedish Concilge at the Grand Hotel Stockholm did when I asked him which was the prettiest end of Gothenburg Canal, "I should say the middle was the prettiest end, sir." Sincerely yours,

FRANK L. SMITH.

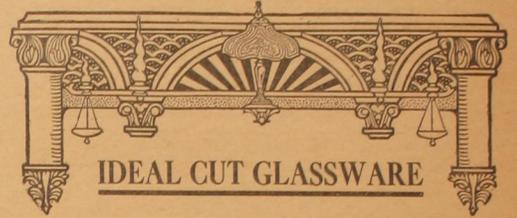
### F. L. Smiths Defeat South Wilmington Signals.

Sunday the South Wilmington Signals were the opponents of the F. L. Smiths at West Side Park and the home team proved to the satisfaction of all that their victory in the five inning game at the tournament was a fluke. The score was 11 to nothing and at no time were the locals in danger. Flood pitched a fine game, striking out ten men and allowing but five hits. Boyer's work on first was sensational and his batting average for the day was .750. F. Flood was a close second with an average of .600 for the day. Fellow's play on Boyer's grounder in the seventh robbed him of a hit and a perfect batting average for the day. The Smiths scored two runs in the first inning with one down. Kern got on through an error and Boyer caught one of Hamilton's curves for a home run. In the third they scored four more on an error and five hits. In the sixth three more were added. Kern was hit by pitched ball. Boyer singled. Gutel safe on error by Brooks. F. Flood hit for two bases, scoring Gutel and Boyer. The last run was scored in the eighth. Gutel walked but was out at home plate when he tried to score on F. Flood's two base hit. Flood scored on Burn's out at first. Ira Boyer ended the inning by striking out.

Following is the score:

F. L. Smiths	2	0	1	0	3	0	1	—	11	13
S. Wilmington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	0	4
FRANK L. SMITHS.										
R. H. P. O. A. E.										
Nielson, ss	2	1	0	5	0					
Kern, 2b	2	0	0	3	1					
E. Boyer, 1b	3	3	13	0	1					
Gutel, 3b	2	1	0	1	0					
F. Flood, c	2	3	12	1	0					
Burns, rf	0	1	1	0	0					
I. Boyer, lf	0	1	0	0	0					
Mickelson, if	0	1	0	0	0					
Donahue, cf	0	2	1	0	1					
J. Flood, p	0	0	1	0	0					
										11
										13
										27
										11
SOUTH WILMINGTON.										
R. H. P. O. A. E.										
C. Purdy, lf	0	1	0	1	0					
Allen, cf	0	0	0	0	0					
Chas. Purdy, 2b	0	1	1	3	0					
Fellows, 2b	0	2	3	1	1					
Groff, c	0	1	11	0	0					
Lohman, rf	0	0	0	0	0					
Provin, rf	0	0	0	0	0					
Hamilton, p-1b	0	0	1	1	0					
Brooks, ss-2b	0	0	4	1	2					
Jarhl, 1b	0	0	4	0	0					
Williamson, p	0	0	4	0	0					
										0
										4
										24
										7
										3

Two base hits—Flood (2). Home runs—E. Boyer, Nielson. First base on balls—Off Flood, 1; off Hamilton, 1; off Williamson, 1. Struck out by Flood, 10; by Hamilton, 3; by Williamson, 1. Hit by pitched ball—Kern and Boyer.

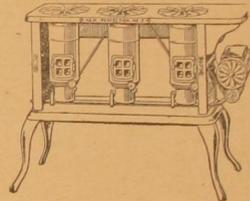


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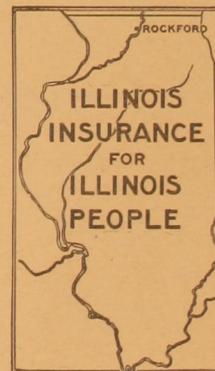
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