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FREDENSBORG Castle once more witnesses the annual family gathering, which doubtless is fondly looked forward to by those participating in it. The Princess of Wales and her daughters and the King of Greece have now been joined by the Czar, Czarina, Czarewicz and Queen of Greece, who, with their numerous suites, tax the resources of the Castle, albeit containing some hundred rooms, to the uttermost. Fredensborg is charmingly situated on a wooded hill, close to a lovely lake. The town contains some 4000 people, and is a favorite resort of wealthy Copenhageners in the summer and early autumn. The castle dates from the early part of last century, and has beautiful gardens. It stands at the entrance of a large park. The rooms are spacious

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