

efforts in the direction of independence. The reference to Norway is obvious and natural, and according to Francis von Kossuth:—

"King and nation have stiffened themselves to mutual opposition, and it is to be feared that the constitution may be sacrificed in the struggle, in which the King of Hungary seems to forget that kings are made for nations and not nations for kings; for there are no kings without a kingdom, but plenty of kingdoms without kings."

The last words undoubtedly show that Norway was in the mind of the writer, who concludes by saying: "The Hungarian nation is like the Old Guard at Waterloo. They will die, but never surrender."

On the other hand Count Apponyi, in the London Standard, scouts the idea of a separation. Hungarians form nearly half of the population of the Austrian Empire, and Austria would fight rather than let them go. But they do not wish to go. He says:—

"Do not the demands of Hungary in themselves portend a downfall—the dissolution of the dual monarchy? That is what others would have the world believe. . . As a matter of fact there is not a word of truth in all that; we seek not separation, but agreement, a definite agree-

ment, unhampered by the quibbles which have for centuries embittered our relations with Austria."

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#### SEASIDE EXCURSIONS—LOW RATES TO FAMOUS WATERING PLACES.

The seashore with its refreshing and invigorating salt breezes has unbounded charms for those who are oppressed with the summer heat of inland cities, so the announcement of the Intercolonial Railway in another column should be read with especial interest at this particular time. The Seaside Excursions advertised by the I.C.R. from Montreal to the various points of the Lower St. Lawrence, to the shores of Northumberland Strait, the Bay of Fundy, and the Atlantic coast afford a splendid opportunity of leaving the Canadian Metropolis for a vacation at astonishing low rates. And by the splendid through trains, the "Maritime Express" and the "Ocean Limited" leaving Montreal at 12.00 o'clock and at 10.30 o'clock, a fast and luxurious journey is assured, the excellence of their dining and sleeping car accommodation being unequalled on the continent.

