

Hallvard Graatopp, Leader of the Peasant Uprising of 1438.

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During the reign of Erik of Pomerania, nephew of beloved Queen Margaret, widow of King Olaf, there were uprisings from the common people in all of Scandinavia.

In Sweden, the revolt was begun by a peasant leader Englebreckt Englebrecktson.

Disturbances again broke out in both Norway and Denmark. In Norway 1438, the men of Telemark and Bamble were led by Hallvard Graatopp, a gentleman peasant from Vraalstad, in Tordal, Telemark.

They marched against Oslo, to demand their rights to "taxation with representation" from the old Common law.

They were defeated and scattered by Svarte Jons.

In Denmark the peasants rose in rebellion against the nobility.

Tradition says that Hallvard Gratopp returned to Vraalstad where he died in 1454