

RUDOLF'S WILDEST LIFE.

SCANDALOUS CAREER OF THE AUSTRIAN CROWN PRINCE.

The Woman in the Case of Frequent Occurrence—Origin of the Quarrel with the Present Emperor of Germany—Unfortunate Results of a Political Marriage—Scandals Ad Nauseum.

New York World. Although numerous and conflicting accounts have been received from Europe concerning the sudden and mysterious death of Crown Prince Rudolf of Austria...

The archduke in his boyhood was subjected to the severest discipline and was brought up with the most extraordinary strictness. But as soon as he was emancipated from the control of his tutors and professors he started off on a course of the wildest dissipation.

Many were the scandals with which his name became connected, the one which attracted most attention and excited most disgust occurring within three months of his marriage. He was stationed at the time in command of the troops in Prague...

THE BARONESS DEIS, a widow considerably his senior. During one of his visits to Vienna the prince visited the great furniture store of Messrs. H. on the Ringstrasse...

The trains running on the K. & P. R. have not been delayed to any considerable extent by the late heavy fall of snow. For dry oak and soft maple, soft wood and hard wood at lowest prices, go to Crawford's foot of Queen street.

Breck & Booth have the best slabs, hard wood and dry blocks. You can get just what you want in the fuel line at their yard. The K. & P. R. passenger train ran from Sharbot Lake last evening in one hour and fifty-three minutes and made her usual stops.

Many entertainments arranged for this winter have been cancelled, Grand Master Walken having prohibited dancing in Masonic halls. Students who need clothing will do well to patronize Lambert & Walsh, 110 Princess street. They can give you style, quality, and economy.

There has just arrived at J. Campbell's wood yard, Ontario street, the best stock of sawed or unsawed maple, also the best of dry slab wood. Deputy Sheriff Daggan, Brampton, reached the city yesterday with George Penny, sentenced to three years' imprisonment on a charge of highway robbery at Caledon.

The annual meeting of the Kingston collegiate institute was not held yesterday owing to absence from the city of three of the trustees, and the non-attendance of one other. The tongue-cracker we inserted the other night was for Scotchmen to re-speak. Here is one for Englishmen: "A wee broon backit Petricky flew, our the kirk o' Cotricky."

The sale of seats for the American opera company will begin at the opera house on Saturday at 9 o'clock. The prices are: Parquette, \$1.50; dress circle, \$1; balcony, 75c; gallery, 50c. Adults will have a good opportunity to see Mother Goose and her temperance family in the opera house, to-morrow night. No crowding. Tickets 20c. 10c tickets admit only to gallery.

A high endorsement—Your flour at \$2.70 is the best in Canada. 3 lbs. green peas 10c, evaporated sweet corn 10c. Cambridge sausages 12c, spy apples 20c. peck, spice roll bacon 12c. James Crawford. For the next two months the opera house will be well occupied. Among the engagements made are: American Opera Company, Charles E. Verner, Kate Claxton, and "Held by the Enemy" company.

At this time of the year many gentlemen find that they need a new pair of trousers to put them on until spring. We advise them to try Lambert & Walsh, 110 Princess street. They always give satisfaction. Westport lodge, A O U W, will have a resolution of condolence to Mrs. William Breeze and family, over the death of late Bro. Breeze, and forwarded \$2,000, the amount of his insurance in the order.

Ladies' half, whole and quarter wigs, bangs, switches, hair chains, rings, made to order. Dress and mantle making. Cannif corset, best ever made, over Walsh & Steacy's, 105 Princess street, Kingston. Where are you going my pretty maid. Going to Crawford's store she said—"To buy spy apples 20c. peck, tomatoes 10c. can, fresh haddock 5c. lb., 3 lbs. green peas 10c., evaporated sweet corn 10c. James Crawford.

An act will be introduced in parliament to prevent dual representation in the council and school boards and giving the councils power to pass a by-law doing away with wards, and have the whole electorate select the council as a body. New embroideries at prices that will beat anything ever shown in Kingston at R. McPaul's. A job lot of new, all wool, cloth dress goods, wholesale price 22c, will be sold for 15c, at R. McPaul's. The greatest bargain ever offered the public.

To accommodate persons who cannot get to the Sydenham street church concert next Monday when the doors are opened, the gallery, which is fitted with orchestra chairs and are the best seats in the house, has been reserved for 10c extra. Plan now open at Henderson's and being rapidly filled up. A sample lot of lace curtains, at less than wholesale prices, can be had at R. McPaul's. Remember, the cheapest house in the city for carpets, oil cloths and house furnishings generally is R. McPaul's. We have a few pairs of blankets left which will be sold at half-price to clear. Accept the chance. R. McPaul's.

On Saturday last another member of the large Boomhower family, of Olden township, departed this life. The deceased, Nelson Boomhower, lived north of Cross Lake, caught cold, inflammation of the lungs took place, and after keeping his bed five days, died on Feb. 2nd at the age of fifty-three years. The funeral took place on Tuesday. He leaves a wife and ten children, most of them very young, to struggle for a living. Work ought to be plentiful this year, here being in view a dry dock, costing \$500,000; two new churches—St. Andrew's and Chalmers—costing \$80,000; the enlargement of St. George's cathedral; the rebuilding of St. Mary's cathedral, on which will be spent \$80,000; and the improvement of the water works. Besides there will be a great many fine residences and small houses erected.

PROVIDING A MALE HEIR. to the Austro-Hungarian throne. In deference to these wishes, openly expressed by the Imperial family, the government and the people, she agreed to make a four weeks' stay at Franzbad, the waters of which are peculiarly efficacious in assisting towards the increase of population. On the crown prince's return from the jubilee festivities at London (where, by the by, he was treated with the greatest coldness by his wife's father and mother, the king and queen of the Belgians) a reconciliation was effected, and the archduchess consented to overlook the past and to resume relations with her husband. It should be added that her visit to Franzbad has been unattended with any of the results which had been hoped for.

A few months after his infidelities again

gave rise to a great quarrel, the result of which was that Stephanie, without announcing her intention to any one, started off for Paris, accompanied only by a lady in waiting and a couple of servants. On her arrival in the French capital she was visited by the Belgium minister and by Count Zieny, the Austrian charge d'affaires, who both entreated her to return to Vienna. She, however, declined to listen to their remonstrances, and withdrew to the Island of Jersey, where she remained in retirement for two months. At the end of that time, she journeyed to Brussels, where her father, the king, at length succeeded in prevailing upon her to return to Vienna. Marital relations, however, were never resumed, and husband and wife remained but little better than strangers to one another up to the date of the crown prince's death. The reports as to the intense grief of the widow must therefore be treated with a certain amount of scepticism.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

Newsy Paragraphs Picked Up by Our Reporters in Their Rambles.

Royal Arcanum meets to-morrow night. Ladies, see the bargains in silks at Johnstone's retiring sale.

For genuine Scranton No. 4 coal go to the Gas Works yard. The American mails were carried to Cape Vincent to day on toboggans.

Prof. Dupuis purchased lot No. 19, Allen street, part of the Brown estate. Humpty Dumpty, Silver Cocks, Simple Simon, opera house, to-morrow night.

The band of the 14th Batt. will play on the big Royal rink to-morrow (Friday) evening. The Prentice Boys' band is improving rapidly under the leadership of Bandmaster Foden.

The tea-meeting held at Irish Creek, near Tichborne, was a grand success, netting over \$50. The Ontario artillery association recommend the establishment of a school of field artillery at Kingston.

Thompson and Avery, Sharbot Lake, are loading two cars of phosphate a day at Hampton's siding, K. & P. RR. The trains running on the K. & P. R. have not been delayed to any considerable extent by the late heavy fall of snow.

For dry oak and soft maple, soft wood and hard wood at lowest prices, go to Crawford's foot of Queen street. Breck & Booth have the best slabs, hard wood and dry blocks. You can get just what you want in the fuel line at their yard.

The K. & P. R. passenger train ran from Sharbot Lake last evening in one hour and fifty-three minutes and made her usual stops. Many entertainments arranged for this winter have been cancelled, Grand Master Walken having prohibited dancing in Masonic halls.

Students who need clothing will do well to patronize Lambert & Walsh, 110 Princess street. They can give you style, quality, and economy. There has just arrived at J. Campbell's wood yard, Ontario street, the best stock of sawed or unsawed maple, also the best of dry slab wood.

Deputy Sheriff Daggan, Brampton, reached the city yesterday with George Penny, sentenced to three years' imprisonment on a charge of highway robbery at Caledon. The annual meeting of the Kingston collegiate institute was not held yesterday owing to absence from the city of three of the trustees, and the non-attendance of one other.

The tongue-cracker we inserted the other night was for Scotchmen to re-speak. Here is one for Englishmen: "A wee broon backit Petricky flew, our the kirk o' Cotricky." The sale of seats for the American opera company will begin at the opera house on Saturday at 9 o'clock. The prices are: Parquette, \$1.50; dress circle, \$1; balcony, 75c; gallery, 50c.

Adults will have a good opportunity to see Mother Goose and her temperance family in the opera house, to-morrow night. No crowding. Tickets 20c. 10c tickets admit only to gallery. A high endorsement—Your flour at \$2.70 is the best in Canada. 3 lbs. green peas 10c, evaporated sweet corn 10c. Cambridge sausages 12c, spy apples 20c. peck, spice roll bacon 12c. James Crawford.

For the next two months the opera house will be well occupied. Among the engagements made are: American Opera Company, Charles E. Verner, Kate Claxton, and "Held by the Enemy" company. At this time of the year many gentlemen find that they need a new pair of trousers to put them on until spring. We advise them to try Lambert & Walsh, 110 Princess street. They always give satisfaction.

Westport lodge, A O U W, will have a resolution of condolence to Mrs. William Breeze and family, over the death of late Bro. Breeze, and forwarded \$2,000, the amount of his insurance in the order. Ladies' half, whole and quarter wigs, bangs, switches, hair chains, rings, made to order. Dress and mantle making. Cannif corset, best ever made, over Walsh & Steacy's, 105 Princess street, Kingston.

Where are you going my pretty maid. Going to Crawford's store she said—"To buy spy apples 20c. peck, tomatoes 10c. can, fresh haddock 5c. lb., 3 lbs. green peas 10c., evaporated sweet corn 10c. James Crawford. An act will be introduced in parliament to prevent dual representation in the council and school boards and giving the councils power to pass a by-law doing away with wards, and have the whole electorate select the council as a body.

New embroideries at prices that will beat anything ever shown in Kingston at R. McPaul's. A job lot of new, all wool, cloth dress goods, wholesale price 22c, will be sold for 15c, at R. McPaul's. The greatest bargain ever offered the public. To accommodate persons who cannot get to the Sydenham street church concert next Monday when the doors are opened, the gallery, which is fitted with orchestra chairs and are the best seats in the house, has been reserved for 10c extra. Plan now open at Henderson's and being rapidly filled up.

A sample lot of lace curtains, at less than wholesale prices, can be had at R. McPaul's. Remember, the cheapest house in the city for carpets, oil cloths and house furnishings generally is R. McPaul's. We have a few pairs of blankets left which will be sold at half-price to clear. Accept the chance. R. McPaul's. On Saturday last another member of the large Boomhower family, of Olden township, departed this life. The deceased, Nelson Boomhower, lived north of Cross Lake, caught cold, inflammation of the lungs took place, and after keeping his bed five days, died on Feb. 2nd at the age of fifty-three years. The funeral took place on Tuesday. He leaves a wife and ten children, most of them very young, to struggle for a living.

Work ought to be plentiful this year, here being in view a dry dock, costing \$500,000; two new churches—St. Andrew's and Chalmers—costing \$80,000; the enlargement of St. George's cathedral; the rebuilding of St. Mary's cathedral, on which will be spent \$80,000; and the improvement of the water works. Besides there will be a great many fine residences and small houses erected.

PROVIDING A MALE HEIR. to the Austro-Hungarian throne. In deference to these wishes, openly expressed by the Imperial family, the government and the people, she agreed to make a four weeks' stay at Franzbad, the waters of which are peculiarly efficacious in assisting towards the increase of population. On the crown prince's return from the jubilee festivities at London (where, by the by, he was treated with the greatest coldness by his wife's father and mother, the king and queen of the Belgians) a reconciliation was effected, and the archduchess consented to overlook the past and to resume relations with her husband. It should be added that her visit to Franzbad has been unattended with any of the results which had been hoped for.

A few months after his infidelities again

WHERE THE MONEY GOES.

EXPENDITURES OF THE DOMINION GOVERNMENT LAST YEAR.

The Returns Six Months Behind Hand—The Cost of Running Some of the Public Institutions—Expenses of the Public Officials When on Official Errands Sent.

Among the articles provided for rations at the penitentiary were: Almonds, \$2; brandy, \$20; lemon and orange peel, \$10.40. These were some of the luxuries. The staple articles consumed were: Butter, 3,187 1/2 lbs.; barley, 8,087 lbs.; bacon, 12,449 lbs.; beef, 126,220 lbs.; codfish, 2,000 lbs.; currants and raisins, 741 lbs.; onions, 116 1/2 bushels; potatoes, 2,693 bushels; pepper, 470 lbs.; rice, 5,638 lbs.; sugar, 14,457 lbs.; salt, 34,094 lbs.; tea, 23,296 lbs.; tobacco, 2,561 lbs.; vinegar, 249 gallons, and wheat, 7,923 bushels.

To clothe the convicts there was required 2,652 yards of cotton, 43 yards of canvas, 2,132 1/2 yards cloth, 5,762 yards of duck, 148 1/2 yards of etoffe and 2,180 yards of flannel. Some 6,699 lbs. of leather were used in putting boots on the same men. The new prayer books cost \$13.68. In connection with escapes, \$290.35 was spent. The cost of sending the steamer Chief after Kelly and Scoon who stole the yacht was \$97.

The rations for the year at the penitentiary cost \$20,316.20; clothing, \$6,772.69; convicts' travelling allowance, \$1,967; discharge clothing, \$2,316.15; bedding, \$741.12; interments, \$16; chapels, \$136.70; library, \$26.68; school, \$7.85; escapes, \$290.35; hospital, \$942.65; heating, \$10,397.75; light, \$2,630.44; repairs to buildings, \$2,642.50; maintenance of machinery, \$712.90; armory, \$104.60; kitchen, \$70.22; stationery, \$36.35; farm, \$1,188.66; stables, \$865.01; house furnishing, \$549.72; gas inspection, \$179.45; telegrams, \$26.45; postage, \$80.25; freight, \$25.06; express, \$16; advertising, \$17.15; magistrates' fees, \$14; telephone, \$75; in industries, \$965.72; queen's printer's account, \$157.04; stationery office, Ottawa, \$783.22; lithography and stamping, \$13.60; travelling expenses, \$186.20; making with salaries gratuities and officers' uniforms, an expenditure of \$112,470.69.

William Gemmill, tailor, received \$1,272.65 as a retiring gratuity. The salaries paid the chief officials at the penitentiary are: M. Lavell, \$3,000; Wm. Sullivan, \$1,500; S. Scobell, \$1,100; Orlando S. Strange, \$1,800; Rev. C. E. Cartwright, \$1,200; Rev. D. A. Twomey, \$1,200; James Adams, \$1,300; James Devlin, \$1,300; P. O'Donnell, \$1,000; R. R. Creighton, \$800; R. Hewton, \$800; James Weir, \$800; Jas. Halliday, \$800; P. O'Connor, \$700; N. P. Wood, \$650; Wm. Coward, \$650; M. J. Kennedy, \$600; Rose Ann Fahey, \$500.

The expenses of trying the petition against the return of Sir John A. Macdonald were: Justice Patterson, \$100; H. H. Macrea, registrar, \$102.90; Sheriff Ferguson, \$38.55. At the immigration office R. Macpherson was paid \$1,300; H. Hitchens, \$457.50; A. F. Macpherson, \$90. The expenses of the agency were: R. M. Horsey, hardware, \$25.05; Mary A. Hitchens, \$120; R. Macpherson, travelling, etc., \$142.22; Kingston water works, water, \$51.50; E. Seabrook, rent, \$30; Kingston & Pembroke railway, transport, \$9.66; James Swift, coal, \$48; H. J. Saunders, M.D., attendance, \$9.50; E. Williams, wool, \$30.

J. H. Metcalfe, M.P.P., as chief of land intelligence service, drew a salary of \$150 per month, besides office and travelling expenses. As travelling agent, W. A. Webster was paid \$736, for services rendered from May to November, and travelling expenses. Jane Sheridan draws \$80 per year, her husband being a pensioner of 1812. There are 43 veterans of that year. The superannuation allowances per year to Kingstonians are: Thomas Cruise, \$882; J. Dunlop, \$136.08; Mary Leahy, \$430.84; P. Lindsay, \$391.92; Evan MacColl, \$415.80; C. Sangster, \$783.06; Joseph Taylor, \$279.96; H. Tibbode, \$643.12.

Jacob Tombough has a pension of \$30, a veteran of 1812. The volunteers' pension for service in 1885, are: Francis Burke, \$291.30; A. Donnelly, \$329.49; W. Mawhinney, \$329.40. Of the grant of \$6,000 to the Kingston harbor, \$5,148.25 has been expended. The account of Warden Lavell, who went to Regina, N.W.T., to examine Louis Riel, was as follows: Services, \$500; living expenses and cab hire, \$80.25; fares, self and Mrs. Lavell, \$305.40.

The allowance to Judge Price is \$2,490, with \$200 added for travelling expenses. Principals of the Company. On Wednesday next the new American opera company will produce Vincent Wallace's grand opera "Maritana." The principals of the company are: Louise Natali, Alice Varona, Cora Meacham, Fanny Gonzales, Clara Poole, Lizzie McNichol, Charles Bassett, W. Castle, Thomas Ebert, Alonzo Stoddard, Franz Vett, E. N. Knight, T. S. Guise and Harry Warren. It will be seen that several of the principals were with the ill-starred American and National opera companies during the last three or four seasons. The new company is travelling in better luck. There is an orchestra of twenty under Herr Heinrichs, formerly Theodore Thomas' assistant, and a chorus of twenty-five. Advance notices promise the best opera heard here.

County Orange Lodge Meeting. The county loyal Orange lodge of Central Frontenac held their annual meeting in the Orange hall, Tichborne, on Tuesday night. There was quite a large attendance. The officers elected for 1889 are as follows: J. C. Rogers, Fernov, county master; A. Manson, Petworth, deputy county master; A. Parker, Verona, chaplain; H. J. Sharpe, Sydenham, secretary; M. W. Price, Arden, treasurer; Wm. Crozier, Fernov, lecturer; J. W. Watts, Harrowsmith, deputy lecturer; D. Goodfellow, Parham, D. of C. After the meeting the members had a sumptuous oyster supper served at the Tichborne house. The next annual meeting will be held at Verona. The 12th of July will be celebrated at the village of Sydenham.

Queen Street School. Senior Third Class—marking for January, 1889: total marks, 370; William Grant, 296; William Murray, 295; William Conley, 243; Frederick W. Masnie, 233; Alfred Aldred and Bertie Baird, 231; Thomas McCammon, 218; William Arneil, 213; John Davy, 210; Robert Kane, 195; Charles Gray, 166; Frank Siler, 163; Hugh Paynter, 158; William Hamilton, 151; Robert Appleton, 139; Lewis Thornton, 138; Stanley Tarrant, 137; Byron Abrams and Robert Campbell, 118; Alfred Gunn, 115; William King, 110; Egerton Kays, 104; Charles Robinson, 97; Charles Hanscomb, 92; Harry Bushey, 86; Frederick Switzer, 73; Frederick Young, 56.

A Logger Killed at Otsego Lake. William Topping, aged twenty-two, was instantly killed by a rolling log while loading at Otsego lake, Michigan, last Friday afternoon. His home is in Westport, Ont., whether he remains here is not known. He is the second one from Westport, killed in the lumbering districts of Michigan.

THE BRIDEGROOM-ELECT.

A Last Glimpse of Ex-Mayor John Carson Before Joining the Benedicts.



EX-MAYOR JOHN CARSON. Last evening Ex Mayor John Carson was married in St. Mark's church, Parkdale, to Miss Butler, a young lady of great beauty, amiability and sweetness. The event was a fashionable one, and attended by guests from all parts of the province. An elegant spread occurred at 71 Cleve avenue, Parkdale, after which Mr. Carson and his bride hied off for Montreal to help in making the carnival a success. They will be in Kingston a week hence.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Church in a Live State and Looking Forward to a Happy Future.

The annual meeting of the Chalmers church congregation was held last evening in the lecture room of the church. After devotional exercises the Rev. M. Macgillivray was called to the chair, and W. Middleton was appointed secretary. There was a good attendance. A large number of reports were read, and all indicated much congregational vigor and activity. The session's report showed a considerable increase in the membership and number of families belonging to the church. The contributions to the schemes of the church were almost up to the total of last year, notwithstanding the great expense of the congregation in connection with the new church in course of erection. The treasurer of the trustee board reported an increase of nearly \$300 over the revenue of last year for strictly congregational purposes. The total for missions and benevolent purposes reached \$1,105. The various church societies enjoyed a year of marked success and progress. The ladies' aid society, auxiliary to the building committee, raised in the past nine months \$620, and the women's missionary society, \$100. While all the reports were highly gratifying those of the building and finance committees attracted most attention because of their exceptional facts, both having had a pleasant story to tell. The former reported that operations were carried on vigorously till the fall weather stopped the work, and that everything was in readiness for the earliest possible start in spring. And the financial secretary reported that not only all the subscription instalments due were paid, but a large number of subscriptions were paid in full, amounting to over one-third, instead of one fifth of the amount of subscriptions as expected.

PERSONAL MENTION.

People Whose Movements, Sayings and Doings Attract Attention.

Miss Nellie Quinn left to-day for Watertown, to visit her brother who is sick. Miss Ida Stratton, of Tanworth, is the guest of Mrs. T. R. Carnovsky, Williamsville.

Mr. Parker, who was the leading clarinet player in "A" battery band, left a few days ago for England. Mr. O'Leary and bride arrived from Cobourg to-day, and have taken up residence in Williamsville.

Rufus B. Robert and J. G. Vassar are trying to recover \$700,000, left to Vassar college by their father. Rev. J. M. Hudson, R.D., of Windsor, has been invited to the pastorate of Bridge Street Methodist church, Belleville.

W. K. Vanderbilt and his family have gone a tour of the world in the steam yacht Alva. The expenses of the voyage will be \$15,000 a month. H. H. Warner, Rochester, who has already adorned the St Lawrence with a fine cottage, will build a cottage on Safe Point and a boat house on his island the coming season.

Senator Alexander's liver is reported to be on strike against his presence in the senate, and the proceedings of that honourable body will not be enlivened by anything but divorce trials this year. The Carnival of the Season. A grand fancy dress masquerade carnival will be held at the big Royal skating rink on Friday evening, Feb. 15th. The rink will be brilliantly illuminated by electricity, giving skaters and spectators the finest sight ever seen in this vicinity. Skaters in costume will have the ice from 7 to 9 o'clock, after that hour the rink will be open to all until 11 p.m. Parties appearing in costume will please leave their name and costume on entering the rink. Prizes will be awarded to those wearing the richest and most comical costumes. The band of the 14th battalion will do its utmost to enliven skaters and spectators by playing its choicest selections. Tickets, adults 25 cents, children 15 cents.

The Hotel Arrivals. Arrivals at the British American Hotel—H. Martin, Hamilton; H. B. Wells, E. W. Owens, F. R. Whiteside, Toronto; J. P. Colburn, D. A. McDonald, Windsor; F. M. Gotsch, Pictou; A. H. Alexander, Stratford; R. W. Boyd, Quebec; J. A. Vandermeort, Montreal; A. G. Thomas, Philadelphia; J. Sherman, Tamworth; Mrs. W. Doran, North Bay; S. A. Potter, Detroit, Mich.

The Queen vs. George Briggs. Defendant was convicted last summer by Police Magistrate McKim on a charge of selling liquor at Simcoe Island. This conviction was moved against by defendant's counsel on the grounds that the magistrate improperly refused to allow the accused to give evidence on his own behalf, that he should not have been fined \$75, and that the conviction was defectively drawn up. The court has quashed the conviction.

For the Deaf. A person cured of deafness and noises in the head of 23 years' standing by a simple remedy, will send a description of it FREE, to any person who applies to NICHOLSON, 30 St. John St., Montreal. The race over which a lawsuit between J. Partell and Joseph Theobald occurred is dead. It was the property latterly of J. G. King, druggist.

BUDDHA IN GOTHAM CITY

FOLLOWERS OF CONFUCIUS BELIEVE IN TRANSMIGRATION.

How the World and the People on it May Be Entirely Cleansed From Sin—The Mission of a Noted Chhymen, Wong Chin Foo.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—About fifteen years ago Wong Chin Foo, the Buddhist priest, came to this country from China on a strange mission. He announced that as the Christianized world had been for many years sending missionaries to his country to teach his people their religion, he thought it no more than fair that they should respond by enlightening the people on this side of the world regarding their faith. Whereupon he proceeded to expound the religion of Buddha, which he claims was taught by Confucius many centuries before the era of what we call Christianity.

Wong-chin Foo was a graceful speaker and managed to evolve some very clever arguments. He travelled from one end of the country to the other, finally making his headquarters in New York. Meantime other exponents of the Buddhist faith have risen and clubs have been formed throughout the city of people who call themselves Theosophists. But the articles of their faith and that taught by Confucius are almost identical. Their meetings are usually on week day evenings at some private dwelling, as they have no places especially set apart for their classes. A peculiarity of their belief is "impressions." For instance, one of their clubs was in the habit of meeting at the home of a lady who lives in an old house on Thirty-fourth street, and who always has a number of people in her family. A change was made to a new house on Seventy-ninth street.

The reason assigned was that the "impression" of all the people who had lived in that house, and who were present there day by day, made such confusion to the spiritual senses that very much of the profit of their meeting was lost. Some of them eschew flesh as an article of diet. Most of the Theosophists believe in the theory of re-incarnation, and many of them believe in transmigration. Those of the latter class hold that one of the punishments for sin is being condemned to pass a lifetime inhabiting the body of a lower order of animal life. Some of them have a very comfortable belief that the things we miss in this life will be made up to us in that which is to follow. Followers of the faith claim that a race of beings may be produced with such high spiritual sense, such freedom from all that is earthly, that the world and the people in it may be entirely cleansed from sin. It will be upon the principle of evolution, they say, a process which has been going on since the world began. And in proof of their theory they compare the intelligent, highly cultivated men and women of to-day with the human beings who existed in pre-historical times, who with prehensile jaw and ravenous instinct tore the raw flesh of animals, and had no other senses save that of the coarsest animal desire.

The ladies and gentlemen who compose these clubs in New York city are of the most refined type, spiritually, mentally and morally. [Wong Chin Foo is the little Chinese chappie who some time ago lectured in Kingston on what he knew about Christianity, which wasn't much. He it was who made a sensation about a year ago by undergoing a seizure because of a violation of the customs law.] W. M. Drennan and M. Flanigan will be the judges on costumes at the Citizens' ice rink (roller rink) to-morrow night.

COMMERCIAL MATTERS. THE KINGSTON MARKETS. KINGSTON, Feb. 6.—Owing to the stormy weather which prevailed this week the markets were poorly attended by farmers and buyers. The supply of meat is diminishing and consequently the prices have advanced since the last report. Fore quarters, \$2.50 to \$4 per cwt., and hind quarters \$3 to \$3.50; pork, \$7.50 to \$8 per cwt.; mutton, 6c to 8c per lb. A great scarcity of turkeys is reported and they sell by the lb at from 12c to 15c; geese, 60c to 80c each; fowls, 50c to 75c per pair. A marked change has lately occurred in the hide market. First class sheep skins are sold rapidly at from 80c to \$1.25 each; hides, 3c, 4c and 5c per lb.; deacons have fallen 5c each, they are sold at from 25c to 30c. Great reductions in caulkskins, they bring 25c to 40c each. wool, 16c to 18c per lb.; rendered tallow, 5c to 5 1/2c per lb. White fish and salmon trout, 10c per lb.; pickered and bass, 8c per lb, and pike 6c. Oysters sell at 40c, 50c and 60c per quart. Butter sells at from 26c to 25c per lb; eggs, 25c to 30c per doz. Potatoes, 45c to 55c per bag; parsnips, 50c per bag; carrots and turnips, 40c per bag; beets, 45c per bag; cabbage, 40c per dozen; beans, \$1.75 per bushel, and onions, \$1 to \$1.20 per bush.

Apples, \$1.50 to \$2 per bbl.; oranges and lemons, 20c to 30c per doz.; cranberries, 10c per quart. No wood arrived this week onleigh. Wood in yards, \$4 to \$5.50 cord.

MONTEAL STOCK MARKETS. MONTEAL, Feb. 7.—12 noon. ARK'S OFFD. Bank of Montreal..... 232 3/4 Ontario Bank..... 132 1/2 Bank du People..... 108 1/2 Mercantile Bank..... 105 1/2 Bank of Toronto..... 109 21/3 Banque Jacques Cartier..... 98 3/8 Merchants Bank..... 140 1/2 Quebec Bank..... 90 0/0 Union Bank..... 00 0/3 Bank of Commerce..... 119 1/2 Imperial Bank..... 008 1/4 Montreal Telegraph Co..... 91 3/4 N. W. Land Co..... 63 1/2 Rich. & Ontario Navigation Co..... 57 1/2 City Passenger RR..... 195 187 1/2 Montreal Gas Co..... 302 1/2 Canada Pacific RR..... 221 3/4 Canada Cotton Company..... 32 1/2 Dundas Cotton Co..... 47 1/2 Hochelaga Cotton Co..... 145 1/2

MONTEAL STOCK MARKETS. MONTEAL, Feb. 7.—12 noon. ARK'S OFFD. Bank of Montreal..... 232 3/4 Ontario Bank..... 132 1/2 Bank du People..... 108 1/2 Mercantile Bank..... 105 1/2 Bank of Toronto..... 109 21/3 Banque Jacques Cartier..... 98 3/8 Merchants Bank..... 140 1/2 Quebec Bank..... 90 0/0 Union Bank..... 00 0/3 Bank of Commerce..... 119 1/2 Imperial Bank..... 008 1/4 Montreal Telegraph Co..... 91 3/4 N. W. Land Co..... 63 1/2 Rich. & Ontario Navigation Co..... 57 1/2 City Passenger RR..... 195 187 1/2 Montreal Gas Co..... 302 1/2 Canada Pacific RR..... 221 3/4 Canada Cotton Company..... 32 1/2 Dundas Cotton Co..... 47 1/2 Hochelaga Cotton Co..... 145 1/2

MONTEAL STOCK MARKETS. MONTEAL, Feb. 7.—12 noon. ARK'S OFFD. Bank of Montreal..... 232 3/4 Ontario Bank..... 132 1/2 Bank du People..... 108 1/2 Mercantile Bank..... 105 1/2 Bank of Toronto..... 109 21/3 Banque Jacques Cartier..... 98 3/8 Merchants Bank..... 140 1/2 Quebec Bank..... 90 0/0 Union Bank..... 00 0/3 Bank of Commerce..... 119 1/2 Imperial Bank..... 008 1/4 Montreal Telegraph Co..... 91 3/4 N. W. Land Co..... 63 1/2 Rich. & Ontario Navigation Co..... 57 1/2 City Passenger RR..... 195 187 1/2 Montreal Gas Co..... 302 1/2 Canada Pacific RR..... 221 3/4 Canada Cotton Company..... 32 1/2 Dundas Cotton Co..... 47 1/2 Hochelaga Cotton Co..... 145 1/2

MONTEAL STOCK MARKETS. MONTEAL, Feb. 7.—12 noon. ARK'S OFFD. Bank of Montreal..... 232 3/4 Ontario Bank..... 132 1/2 Bank du People..... 108 1/2 Mercantile Bank..... 105 1/2 Bank of Toronto..... 109 21/3 Banque Jacques Cartier..... 98 3/8 Merchants Bank..... 140 1/2 Quebec Bank..... 90 0/0 Union Bank..... 00 0/3 Bank of Commerce..... 119 1/2 Imperial Bank..... 008 1/4 Montreal Telegraph Co..... 91 3/4 N. W. Land Co..... 63 1/2 Rich. & Ontario Navigation Co..... 57 1/2 City Passenger RR..... 195 187 1/2 Montreal Gas Co..... 302 1/2 Canada Pacific RR..... 221 3/4 Canada Cotton Company..... 32 1/2 Dundas Cotton Co..... 47 1/2 Hochelaga Cotton Co..... 145 1/2