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WEDNESDAY, JAN. 15.

STRONGEST ARE TENDEREST.

Those who have seen the late Rev. Dr. James Robertson, superintendent of Presbyterian Missions in Western Canada, and heard him preach, could not have failed to be impressed with for expecting St. Peter to honor press the personality of the man. In appearance and manner he was stern, rigid, reporter has ever come back to comimpassive, one might almost say forbidding. An artist would have selected him as a model for the portrait of one of those stern old fighting Covenanters who could make as good use of his sword or pike as his Bible-or, better still, of one of the fearless, unyielding Scotch reformers who helped John Knox to beat down and wear out civil and ecclesiastical officialism and establish Presbyterianism in Scotland on the ruins of the ancient church. Apparently there was little personal magnetism or geniality in Dr. Robertson. One could easily imagine him fighting against enormous difficulties, dend for the expenditure of capital and even yielding up his life, through a sense of duty or for conscience sake; but it was hard to understand how any such man of granite could be moved by feelings of tenderness for others or could win the affections of his fellowmen, much as he might command their respect. In almost all the editorial references to Dr. Robertson, his indomitable strength of will, his restless energy, his zeal and devotion to duty, his splendid courage, are all dwelt upon, indicating the impressions he made upon the minds of those CHALLENGE TO THE FLAT-EARTH who had only a superficial knowledge

of the man. But such a view of the great missionary would be only a partial view. It is not such a character that lives in standing in the shadow of the mounthe memories of those who were near- tain, announce to the natives that the est to him and knew him best. In an earth is flat and see what will become article on the great missionary, con- of him. tributed to the Westminster by the Rev. C. W. Gordon (Ralph Connor), who served as a missionary under him, we find this touching tr.bute:

"To those who knew Dr. Robertson best, the outstanding feature of his great personality was the tender-ness of his heart. Few men saw his eyes dim with tears or heard remedies zeal without knowledge urghis voice break. His was not the tenderness that pours itself forth in emotional words or weak sentimentalities. His was the tenderness that expressed itself in wrath against the cruel, or the selfish, or the lazy. The tenderness that moved him to quick sympathy with the discouraged or beaten made him ready to forgive the erring or penitent, and wrought his whole soul into a noble passion to help the needy and to save the sin-burdened. I have heard him pour forth words of, indignant scarifying scorn upon a supine and worldly board of management seeking to repudiate debts and 'lean upon the funds,' and next day I have seen him stand in the midst of a little company of farmers, whose fields the frost had caught, and like a father comforting his children, I have heard him speak to them in words thrilling with a true man's sympathy, of the enduring things that no frost could take from them, till their hearts grew brave and hopeful, and they were ready to plow and sow and wait again. Stern he was, never with true and faithful doing their best. And how he loved his friends and made their joys and sorrows his own. And how they loved him. Ah! yes, we loved him. wonder if he knew how well."

No man but one with a large capacity for loving could have inspired such a tribute as that. And we have 'no doubt that of the thousands who a "hand," and not as a partner; a have seen and heard Dr. Robertson comparatively few could have suspected that he was such a man. Too often it happens that the best that is in a good man or woman is hidden from the world's knowledge until after they are gone.

The city council have a problem before them in the city engineer matter. They should go about its solution in a prompt and business-like way.

His Worship, Mayor Sulman, Dear Sir .- Why not add the Tecumseh mon ent movement to your splendid in agural program? The city council

Keep the Old Boys' Reunion pro ect jogging along.

Mr. Chamberlain has been talking again. Every time he talks the Gerans have a rush of blood to the head. His latest speech ought to give the bellowing old Buelow an attack of apoplexy.

Chamberlain may be hated abroad and called by the euphonious title of Chamberlain the Accursed, but he has certainly the qualities of the British mastiff and the British Empire will stand behind him.

Says the Woodstock Express :-Whether it is that newspaper reporters have heretofore been considered above the need of prayer or beyound its reach it is a fact that for the first time in the history of the United States Senate the chaplain last week asked the divine blessing on "that body of able and accomplished men who sent forth reports of the proceedings," It is a little singular that the newspaper men have been neglected so long. Some years ago a well-known evangelist, holding services in a Woodstock church, after an ardent and vain endeavor to talk the reporters into a proper condition of repentance, made the statement that he supposed the newspaper men would get to heaven by virtue of their profession. What authority there is passes we don't know-except that no plain that his pass was not honoredbut certain it is that the newspaper profession, as a profession, has been neglected by the church, so far as prayer is concerned, though ministers, like other good people, are not averse to taking a fling at the press

THIS PROSPEROUS PROVINCE. Buffalo News.

now and then, when occasion demands.

The varied interests of the Province of Ontario seem to be in excellent condition, paying a handsome diviand labor in its advancement and enlargement of essential features.

> TEETH THAT CAN BITE. Ottawa Journal.

If Chamberlain "bit the granite," as Von Ruelow says regarding the Englishman's reference to German doings in the war with France, the result showed that Chamberlain must have mighty good teeth.

Guelph Herald.

Let John S. McClelland, of St. Catharines, go down to Hamilton, and,

What threatens the life of Canada

SOCIAL DANGERS. Principal Grant.

most seriously? Not, as many suppose, the drink traffic, the evils of which have been intensified by the es, and by immoral proposals to abolish it without compensating those who, under the sanction of law have invested their all in a lawful business. No! Rather the uncleanness which does not show itself on the streets; the vulgar and insolent materialism of thought and life, which is eating into the heart of our people, and which expresses itself even in language used at school boards and in an aggressive commercialism which penetrates to the innermost courts of the sanctuary; contempt for and evasion of law, which is aggravated by "brass mouths and iron lungs" demanding laws which are in advance of, and hinder, instead of furthering the growth of law within, slavery to and self-seeking in party machines, and the corruption and insincerity of political leaders who plead in their defense that they dare not go too far in advance of the people; haste to be rich; mutual distrust instead of hearty co-operation between employers and employed; a readiness on the part of labor to take unfair advantage of capital when it sees a good chance, and a still greater willingness on the part of capital to treat the laborer as growing distrust of the church by the masses, and a growing tendency in the church to put its trust in external things which can always be measured by statistics instead of in those spiritual ideals of which it is the professed custodian, and the influence of which no statistics can measure; these and kindred evils threaten the life of the soul, and are essentially the evils denounced by Him Who saw into the heart and Who ate with publicans and sinners as a friend and brother. Wealth may ruin, but it cannot save a nation. A nation is saved by ideas; inspiring and formative ideas.

We cannot turn our backs upon past sins. They have a strange facility for getting to the front and facing us as

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That is what is required by every organ of the body, for the proper performance of its functions. It prevents biliousness, dyspepsia, constipation, kidney complaint, rheumatism, catarrh, nervousness, weakness, faintness, pimples,

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DRESDEN

Jan. 15.-Chas. M. Shaw, who was injured last Friday evening by falling down the trap door of the stage in the Grand Opera, is recovering. C. E. Kenrick left last night for

Mr. Streval, the farmer who was so severely injured in a runaway some weeks ago is recovering.

J. G. Smidth and O. Toole, contractors for the beet sugar factory, also the engineer, A. J. Javanish, are all busy at work on the foundations of factory and purchasing lumber and other materials.

First council for 1902 held its first session last evening. Mayor Ribble in the chair and all councillors present. The auditors, S. Shaw and Stanley Carscallen were appointed. Two assessors were then appointed, B. Bridgewater and S. H. McWha. The mayor was also appointed as delegate wait upon the L. E. & D. R. R. directors with regard to the moving of the Dresden station. It appears that the R.R. Co. is about to move the station farther out from the fown while the council wishes it closer than at present. The council then changed their night of meeting, which be hereafter held monthly instead of every fortnight. Its meetings will be held on the first Monday of every month at 7 p. m. A few minor mat-ters were discussed, after which the council adjourned to meet again on

the first Monday in February.
We understand that Mayor Ribble is offering to purchase the electric light plant from the town. The Reformers will hold a meeting on Friday night for the purpose of selecting some one to act as Customs

Officer, as they expect Dresden to become a port of entry shortly. Mrs. O. McVean is holding a reception in honor of her sister, Mrs. Norman Wade, of Toronto.

Mrs. Jno. I. Wiley is entertaining a number of friends at a card party on Thursday evening.

Mrs. W. H. Willson entertained a
number of lady friends last evening. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McGloghlan and

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Penfound are giving a card party to a number of friends on Friday evening. Carrier boys are not authorized to collect subscriptions. Our collector calls in each town once a month; if a subscriber wishes to pay his account before the collector calls he must remit direct to The Planet Office, Chatham, as we will not be responsible for

monies paid to carriers.

MIRROR, SCALES, ETC.

There was a man. And his mirror said "sallow skin." And the scales said "losing weight." And his friends did wag their heads as he passed by. But being a prudent man he forthwith swallowed daily certain pleasant doses of Scott's Emulsion.

Then his mirror said "ruddy face." And the scales sunk beneath his weight. And his friends looked upon him with

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history), We'll send you a little to try, if you like, SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists,

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300 yards dress trimmings in fancy jets, sequin and gimps, large range of colorings, assorted widths, regular 10c, 15c, 25c and 35c a yard, Thurs-

2 pieces heavy reversible golf cloth, extra fine, pure wool, 56 inches wide, suitable for unlined skirts, rich dark colorings, regular value \$1.75 a yard, 98c.

3 'dozen girl's camel's hair tams, fine quality, full size, large assort-ment of styles and colorings, regular value 50c to 65c each, Thursday price

pair silk seal gauntlets, ladies and misses sizes, rich quality wool, lined, quilted lining in cuffs, fine kid palms, regular \$1.25 a pair, Thurs-

2 dozen men's scotch knit under-

shirts, fine union quality, soft finish, double breasted, sateen facings, regular 35c to 40c each, Thursday price

Four dozen Silk Windsor Ties, full size in pretty plaids and checks, rich colorings, regular value, 25c each, Thursday price

Ladies Coats-Latest box back, semi-fitting, 27 in. long, in newest naterials and colorings, Regular \$3.50, \$4, and \$4.50 coats, selling at \$3,48

Regular \$4.50, \$5, and \$5.50 coats \$3.98

Regular \$6, \$6.50 and \$7 coats, sell-

Children's coats-Three-quarter box back and ulsers, very natty gar-ments, prettily made, asosrted colors, for ages 6 to 12 years, regular \$4.50, \$5, and \$5.50, selling Thursday at

11 only, Misses' and Children's Reefer Jackets in Frieze, Beaver and Bou-cle Cloth, assorted colors, smart styles, sizes 4 to 13 years, regular price up to \$3.50, selling Thursday at \$1.75.

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with stone foundation, slate roof, hot air heating, and plumbing, etc. Plans, specifications, etc, can be seen at the office of the architect. Tenders to be addressed to Samuel J. Shaw, marked ender, and left at my office. T. J. RUTLEY,

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