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John Cameron

London, Friday, Jan. 26.

Specimen Attacks on Dr. McWilliam.

Dr. McWilliam, the Government cane, must be winning his way, or he would hardly be assalled as he is by ories of an inconsequent character. He to childiship attacked on the ground of residence, whereas his interests and siness in the riding are substantial; he constantly sees more of the electors of East Middlesex than does his opponent; and the latest returns do not show him to have made any endeavor to get away from the riding as much as possible by canvassing for and occupying a permanent municipal office at London as County Clerk.

Then take the gibes at Dr.McWilliam because of his calling. It is true, he is e very able, kindly and successful doctor, and that he has proved his right to the honors carried off as a hard student at Toronto, Trinity and Edinburgh Universities. We venture to assert there is no single matter connected with the representation of interests of East Middlesex, in which in competitive examination with his opponent he would come off second best.

Equally out of place and equally regrettable was the address delivered by Mr. Mark Roberts, one of Mr. Robson's supporters, in Britannia Orange Lodge room, 14th concession of London Township. In that address, Mr. Roberts led up to the conclusion that his hearers should vote for "our Conservative candidate, Capt. T. E. Robson"-on what ground, think you? On the ground that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Dominion Premier, was a "French papist,' and "a rebel at heart"! And this, mark you, at the very time when, in the Province of Quebec, the Dominion Premier was delivering a great speech at Sherbrooke, eloquently upholding the doctrine of loyalty to the Empire, and being attacked there by Opposition papers for being too loyal to the Empire! The address of Mr. Roberts' was no off-hand speech, but was written, and read. We regret to say we have as yet seen no public repudiation by the Opposition candidate of this carefully-prepared Incendiary manifesto. To show that we have not misquoted the deplorable address read by Mr. Roberts, we now reprint it in full, word for word, as it appears in the London Free Presspage 13-of Saturday, Jan. 13, 1900:

"The opening ceremonies being concluded, the worshipful district master, Bro. Mark Roberts, read the following address: Brethren, it gives me much pleasure to again meet the loyal Or-angemen of this township in annual ession. I sincerely hope that our deliberations will be characterized by that spirit of fairness, justice, charity and love that had done so much towards placing our beloved order in the front rank of societies of this country. We are assembled tonight in one of the oldest lodge rooms in this country, and should remember that it has had among its membership many who have been the pioneers of this township. Today its membership, as well as that of its sister lodge in this listrict, is practically all young men who, we trust, will continue to build up and strengthen the society in the years to come. The most interesting event of the past and present year is the war going on against the Boers South Africa. It is scarcely necesmary for me to say anything of that matter, as our papers are daily full of t, but there is one point I want you to notice, that is the loyal and patriotc spirit generally shown, more espectally by the brave young Canadians who have volunteered and gone into service for their Queen and empire. We earnestly wish them a victorious and speedy return, not before, however, full and free liberty, as enjoyed by all British subjects, is insured to every by President Kruger. In many ways we have reason to feel ashamed of our Federal Government at Ottawa, headed as it is by a French Papist, and dominated by another, by name Tarte, both of whom are, I believe, rebels in their hearts. But I am glad to say, however, that I do not believe they represent the feelings of the people, any more than the Fenians in the Amerioan cities represent the true feel-ings of the American people for us Canadians. Men in whose opinions you can place confidence, when asked what they think of the talk of the Fenians invading Canada, say, 'Pshaw! t's only wind.' Nevertheless, were they to try it, there are enough loyal men left yet in Ontario to make this country too hot to hold them. In fact, I would like to have a 'go' at them myself. As Orangemen, we are delighted to hear our most worshipful grand master, Bro. N. Clark Wallace, address us at London last 12th of July. have so good a sentinel as he is the watch-tower, guarding and upholdthe watch-tower, guarding and upnording the rights, liberties and privileges of our people, and resisting, as far as may be, the encroachments of the Church of Rome. May he be long spared to us, and may we strengthen his arm for many years to come by our undivided confidence and support. Brethren, you will pardon me, I am sure, if I mention provincial politics. sure, if I mention provincial politics, but those of you who have followed the newspaper reports of the Liberal tactics, their 'machine work' etc., during the last year and a half can surely have no sympathy with them. Our constituency here is now vacant, owing to the death of the late T. D. Hodgens, and we are as likely as not to see some of the results of the 'machine work' here in the near future. I just simply ask you to be true to the just simply ask you to be true to the well-known principles of our order. namely, 'Honesty in all things,' and vote for our Conservative standard-bearer, Capt. T. E. Robson."

The only consolation Dr. McWilliam ean take under such attacks. Is the reflection that the Opposition can have little real fault to find with either the Government candidate or his cause: otherwise they would not need to resert to attacks of which the above are

Congressman Roberts, whose has been refused admission to the House, exampleins that he is a martyr to a system of prejudice. A system of prejudice against a man having three wives is a bealthful one against a man having three wives is a bealthful one.

#### Strathcona's Horse.

Lord Strathcone's princely act has

reflected new glory on Canadian patriotism, and profoundly touched the mother country. The staid old Times is moved to genuine enthusiasm. "How immense is the reserve of strength on which England, in a just cause, can draw, is strikingly revealed in the munificent offer we have the gratification of recording today," says the Times in comment. "It comes from one who is at once a Canadian citizen and a British peer. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, the agent-general for the Dominion, has informed the authorities that he is prepared to raise, equip and pay at his personal cost until the end of the war two squadrons of mounted men. 400 strong in all. The men are to be drawn from the Northwest Provinces of the Dominion, and are to be recruited from former members of the Mounted Police and from others accustomed all their lives to riding, shooting and scouting in the open. The estimated cost of this munificent scheme is said to be a million dollars, or £200,000. There are not many countries in the world where individual citizens are to be found able and ready to prove their patriotism on so splendid a scale. Such an offering to the common cause of the empire would have been welcome from any quarter. It is doubly welcome from the representative at home of our greatest self-governing colony. It is a proof how this war and these misfortunes, which in eves of superficial Continental critics mark the beginning of our downfall, are in truth knitting us all together as we never were knit before. Blood and iron are doing their work. The men from the Northwest Provinces and Australasia who have stormed the Boer kopjes side by side with the loyal colonists of the Cape and of Natal, who have stood shoulder to shoulder with the regulars from the old home, and who have seen the Indian bearers dauntlessly tending their wounded comrades under a hail of bullets, will go back from South Africa with a new and wider conception of the empire to which we all belong, with a new pride in its greatness, and a new love for its

The Middlesex Premier will address the Middlesex farmers tomorrow after-

We venture to predict that Dr. Mc-William will take rank as one of the foremost debaters in the Legislature. The capacity he has shown for a large and comprehensive treatment of public affairs has excited admiration wherever he has spoken.

It is no secret that Mr. Robson's friends are keenly disappointed in him. He seems to know absolutely nothing about public questions. This was never ruption and reminded his hearers that the parties might find better employapparent than when he spoke from the same platform as Dr. Mc-William at the nominations. The contrast between the two speeches was so obvious that everyone remarked it.

The London Street Railway Company say in their annual report that the men now running the cars are "a superior staff of employes to those formerly employed, and your directors regard the result as a valuable addition to the franchise." The former employes were entirely satisfactory to the public, and it seems like going out of the way to assail them now. As to the valuable franchise, no doubt it is valuable. That is what The Advertiser and the public have been saying all along—sufficiently valuable to have justification of this cry in a sense, but justified a general style of treatment of former employes, such as would have prevented the long strike altogether.

Col. Matheson, the financial critic of the Opposition, spoke at Dorchester last night, and evolved a policy in three sections. The colonel said the Opposition promises: 1. To give clean government. 2. To make both ends meet without extra taxation. 3. To reform the educational system. As for the first, Ontario has clean government now and always has had it. As for the second, the Colonel takes care not to promise a reduction of present taxation, although the Opposition vigorously opposed the new taxes on corporate wealth. As for the third, the public have never yet been favored with the details of the projected re-

### Light and Shade.

"Are you going to give up any of your old habits?" "Yes," answered the man, with a defiant air; "one. I'm going to give up this old, old habit of swearing off every New Year's Day."-Washington Star.

"Now, Tommy," said an anxious mother to her small son, "the minister will be here to dinner today, and you must be sure to wash your face clean." "All right, mamma," answered Tom-ny. "But suppose he doesn't come?"

Bill-How often do they change napkins at your boarding house? Jill-Why, I think I get some other fellow's every meal.

"But his trouser knees are so big and baggy." is his bank account."-Cleveland Plaindealer.

The red-nosed vagrant stopped the preoccupied citizen at the street corner.
"Beg pardon, sir," he sald, "but may

I ask—"
"You may ask if you want to," interrupted the preoccupied chitzen, "but I can't tell you. I don't know when the blamed century begins."

FATAL FIRE IN NEW YORK. New York, Jan. 26 .- Miss N. Mills,

The Provincial Secretary Explains the Government's New Policy.

And Defends Their Financial Administration.

Other Able Addresses-A Large and Enthusiastic Meeting in the Interest of Dr. McWilliam, the Liberal Nominee in East Middlesex.

The meeting held in the village hali, Dennield, Wednesday, was largely attended, and evidently very favorable to Dr. McWilliam's candidature. The perate though logical and well-considered address, and his graceful and generous personal references to his opponerous personal references to his opponent, Capt. Robson, created an excellent impression, and furnished evidence that as a representative, both in the matter of fucid expression of his ideas and moderation of tone, the interests of all political elements of his constituents would be safe and the credit of the riding sustained. The good effect was heightened by the able and effective presentation of the record of the government and its claims to public confidence arising from their record and its broad progressive policy, by Hon. its broad progressive policy, by Hon.
J. R. Stratton, and its brief but pointed application by a few remarks by Mr.
A. Stuart, Q.C., London.
On motion of Mr. J. W. Rosser, Mr.
John B. Shipley, a prominent London township farmer grounded the chair

township farmer, occupied the chair. The first speaker was Dr. McWilliam, who was heartly applauded on rising to speak. He began his remarks by stating that he was convinced, from his reading and observation, that a wave of renewed confidence in the gov-ernment and a hopefulness of an immediate future of vigorous progress was sweeping over the country. He very clearly, fairly and concisely ex-plained the creditable and satisfactory financial condition, and indicated how the admirable manner in which the revenues of the province had been expended to lighten the burdens of the people, constituted a claim upon the confidence of the electors of East Mid-dlesex. Dr. McWilliam spoke in a most kindly way of his opponent, Capt. Robson, and stated that if he were honored with the confidence of the electors he would do all in his power to de-

THE PROVINCIAL SECRETARY. Hon. J. R. Stratton, who was very cordially received, began his address by referring to his pleasant personal relations with the late member, whose demise rendered this election necessary. He paid an eloquent tribute to Hon. George W. Ross, and elicited much enthusiasm by a happy turn of the idea that the electors would do a good and graceful thing by electing an old Middlesex boy in the person of Dr. Mc-William to support another old Middle-sex boy in the person of Hon. George W. Ross. He condemned electoral corment than engaging in mutual recrimination, by uniting to elevate provincial politics to a higher plane. After contrasting the policy of the opposition, coloriess almost to non-existence, with the robust, aggressive policy of the government, Mr. Stratton went on to deal exhaustively with the financial administration of the government and their claims by virtue thereof to the support of the people, making clear many points that have been made obscure by the opposition. He then went into an explanation in general terms of the ADVANCE POLICY OF THE GOV-

ERNMENT. Hon. Mr. Stratton said it was a favorite cry of those who were hungering and thirsting after office, and the spoils of office, that in respect of the government of this province it was "time for a change." He could agree with the not in the sense it was generally applied. The reorganized government of this province recognized that it was indeed time for a change in the direction of a more aggressive policy, to meet the changed conditions of the times. It was only within a compara-tively recent period that the increased activity of trade, the "growing time, indicated a more progressive policy. It ments of exploration and prospecting had revealed the illimitable wealth and importance of Ontario's mineral depos-its. Increased commercial activity had created a new demand for the lumber

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products of our forests, and results already achieved and easily in sight have indicated a policy, and given fuller effect to the patriotic policy adopted by the last government of procuring the manufacture in this province of the raw material of our forests. The preferential tariff favors extended to the mother country and other evidences of the practical loyalty of Canadians had placed us in new relations in that country, had raised us to a high position in the esteem of the motherland, and had called the attention of British capital and enterprise to the tremendous mineral and other resources of Canada in so explicit a manner that provided we did our share, the prospects of an immense development of every branch of trade with the country beyond the seas, was such as to call for the most earnest and practical co-operation of the people of this country. The government of the province saw its opportunity and seized it, and has propounded a policy of progressiveness—a policy of development, that is just such a policy as this young and vigorous province requires. This province has got beyond the red tape and routine stage, and a policy that would be in the direction of realizing upon its unbounded resources was most strongly called for. This province needed a policy beyond the collection of so much revenue and the expenditure of so much money on established

services. This province needed a crea

tive policy, a policy of aggression, a demand for manufactured products, policy of looking forward and upward, that would stimulate the commercial

RELATIONS WITH GREAT BRI-TAIN. The future of Ontario, Re said, was in

the hands of its rulers, and the greatness of that future was only to be limited by the results of the policy we should pursue and the efforts we should make to realize its magnificent material possibilities. As hinted before, we were only now coming to realize what our connection with and intimate relations to the empire at home meant. In the literal and fiscal sense we might not get from Great Britain a trade preference. But there was a preference of merit which, we could achieve in the British market, and we had already by force of sheer merit gained a splendid preference in the British market in the matter of cheese, and were rapidly gaining a similar preference in the matter of butter and been secured by sending to the home market the best the world could produce, and that we had been able to practically capture the cheese market was very largely due to the intelligent, systematic and organized assistance that had been given the dairying industry of the province by the Ontario Government, and so great has been the impetus given to cheese products that an output of a little over half a million dollars at confederation has grown to a grand total of over sevents. enteen million dollars a year. Similar encouragement has led to the rapid betterment of the butter and bacon trade. Great Britain took freely what we could send her, so long as it suits her taste. We had an unbounded supply of what she needed, and we had only to put it into marketable shape, trade or resulting profit of our dealings with Great Britain. We had only skimmed the surface of our mines; we had only hewed the border of our forest

AN AGE OF PROGRESS. Ontario must keep pace with the advance of the age. We must—and that was the essence of the policy of the present government—put in train the process of development of our national resources. In this we should not ional resources. In this we should not only have the direct results of such a process of development, but that process would put in motion a sequence of individual or commercial activities which, expanding, in an ever widen-ing circle would bring results beyond our most sanguine dreams. We have millions of acres of land in a wild, untenanted and undeveloped condition, capable of yielding untold agricultural wealth, and of sustaining thousands of an agricultural population. These now waste lands were practically useless, because they were inaccessible. We must make a way to get at them. To secure this object, the first necessity suggested was railways and coloniza-tion roads. In this and other ways these areas of wild lands would not only be made accessible, but attractive to the settler. It was common complaint that the most difficult crop for the farmer to raise was a crop of farmers—that the boys would not stay on the farm. Farmers' sons and our surplus population were crowding the cities and towns, and with a doubly unfortunate result—the farm was deprived of their services, and their presence In the centers of population congested

a policy that would make now dormant the labor market, making employment resources tributary to the greatness more difficult to obtain, and tending to which the bountiful endowment by nature had, under proper management, these conditions was to make our new made possible. We had in Ontario a lands so attractive, make the condition country with a future which, great as of life there so nearly similar to the its past had been and its present was, would under right guidance dwarf ail that farmers' sons and our surplus popthe achievements of the past. (Apulation would find pioner life robbed of its terrors, and made attractive. We could not do too much within reasonable limits to take steps that would place farmers' sons and others of our surplus population upon these lands, and thus, instead of allowing them to crowd the city labor markets, farmers' sons and others would settle on our now waste lands, thus establishing settled conditions, and creating centers of (Continued on Page 8.)

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