

He availed himself eagerly of every opportunity to speak well—even flatteringly—of us to strangers. As a Canadian, I was much gratified at the meeting of the British Association at Bath in 1864, to notice the great respect and esteem in which *our* geologist was held by those of Great Britain and the Continent of Europe.

In regard to religion, Sir William was supposed to be a Presbyterian like his father before him, but he made no parade of his piety, nor did he claim to belong to any particular sect.

During his early life there was not the same liberality and toleration in religious matters as at the present day, and it is possible that circumstances may have occurred to disgust a man of his broad and generous views, with the narrow bigotry which denies salvation to every man who cannot fall in with the narrow views and the peculiar shade of doctrine which they have formulated for the information and guidance of the Creator. Be this as it may, religious discussion was a thing Logan always avoided. He was not, however, to be considered by any means an irreligious man. He always treated the clergy, and spoke of them, with the greatest respect and among their number he counted many of his best friends.

Sir William himself used to tell a story of the first time he went to a place of public worship. It appears he was taken by his pious parents when a very small boy to St. Gabriel's Presbyterian Church. After he had dangled his legs about as they hung from a high board seat, and yawned and fretted through a tedious service, the collection plate was passed round. Little Logan's interest was at once awakened at the sight of so many "bawbees." He marvelled at the kindness of the old gentleman when he presented, as he thought, the whole plateful to him. He joyfully seized all the coins he could grasp in one of his little hands and was about to grab with the other, when his father caught him by the wrist and whispered to him to drop the treasure. But the boy, believing he was fairly entitled to what the old elder had offered him, refused to surrender, and it was not till his parent had rapped him repeatedly over the knuckles with his other hand, that the little fellow was forced to drop the money.

Sir William did not believe in inconsiderate generosity or indiscriminate charity. He acted as if every one should feel that