

who knew her heart and appreciated her bountiful stores. His report on the geology of Bow and Belly Rivers in the Report of Progress for 1880-82 affords a condensed summary of his explorations in the districts just east of the Foothill country.

In 1883, Dr. Dawson was engaged along the western slope of the Rocky Mountains proper and had with him as assistant that year Mr. J. B. Tyrrell who examined the geology and structure of the Crow's Nest Pass with its great possibilities for Coal. In 1884 he carried on explorations farther north in the Rocky Mountain and Selkirks region and prepared a reconnaissance map and a report giving the results, together with notes on the geology of the Red Deer River country.

In 1885, Dr. Selwyn was appointed as Canadian Commissioner to the Colonial and Indian Exhibition and Dr. Dawson superintended the work of the survey as Acting Director, and his time was fully occupied in attending to the duties of the office, to the shipment of the minerals and ores of the Dominion and cataloguing the same as well as of editing the first Annual Report of the Survey's new series. However, he found time to write and publish his own report on the Rocky Mt. region, and Dr. Selwyn makes the following kindly allusion to his work:—

"I wish here to record my high appreciation of the very able and efficient manner in which Dr. Dawson has performed all the work."

Dr. Dawson was officially appointed to the staff of the Geological Survey of Canada in 1876, as we read on page 7 of the Report of Progress for 1875-76, where Dr. Selwyn, then Director, informs us as follows:— "Mr. G. M. Dawson, late Geologist and Naturalist on the International Boundary Survey of the 49th parallel was appointed and has since been actively engaged in exploration in British Columbia." It was during this first year of Dr. Dawson's connection with the Canadian Survey that the Centennial Exhibition was held in Philadelphia and on page 2 of the report just quoted one can see that even at that early date he had the material welfare and prosperity of British Columbia at heart. He contributed, we read, not a little towards the proper representation and display of the then little known mineral resources of the Pacific province, and not only were the minerals attended to, but also the vegetable as well as the animal products of British Columbia.