

From SIR WILLIAM E. LOGAN, F.R.S., F.G.S., Director of the  
Geological Survey of Canada.

*To the President and Trustees of Columbia College.*

GENTLEMEN,

Understanding that my friend, Dr. Thomas Sterry Hunt, is a candidate for the chair of Geology about to be established in the School of Mines, in Columbia College, I am desirous of stating that I consider him pre-eminently fitted for the appointment. Having worked together as colleagues for the last nineteen years in the investigation of Canadian Geology, I have had ample opportunity to know that few equal him in the attainments required for the proper study and promotion of the science, and that he applies his knowledge with rare genius and skill, and with that unremitting industry and perseverance which is derived from a love of the subject.

Being an accomplished chemist and mineralogist, Dr. Hunt has especially distinguished himself in investigating the difficult problem of rock-metamorphism, and his numerous publications on the subject, illustrated by his analyses of minerals and mineral waters, have received the commendations of the leaders in geological science both in Europe and America.

Economic Geology is a branch to which great attention has been paid by the Canadian Survey, and the experience of Dr. Hunt will enable him to point out, with effect, the various applications of geological science to the useful purposes of life, which is one of the chief objects in view in a School of Mines.

Dr. Hunt communicates his knowledge with clearness and precision. He would enter upon the duties of his chair already prepared, by the courses of lectures which he has for some years past been accustomed to give in the University of McGill College at Montreal.