

In speaking of General Williams, it was remarked by Lord Granville that most of the conditions of a first-rate general were found in him. "A well known ancient historian," said the noble lord, "lays down that a general must not only be a good engineer, a good geographer, a good manager of persons, well acquainted with human nature, and something of a statesman, but must also exhibit in himself a power of descending with ease into little things, and to become, if necessary, his own commissary and his own clerk. These conditions were found in an eminent degree in Sir W. F. Williams; and indeed there is only one point in which he has not shown the highest qualities of a general, and that is in not having as yet had an opportunity afforded him of showing his powers of manœuvring a large force upon the field," which we might add he may perhaps have before he vacates his command in this country, and prove himself to be "the competent general," which we Canadians and the people of England believe him to be, notwithstanding the late attacks made upon him in a London journal.

General Williams is a thorough English gentleman; he has proved himself such in his every action in this country, and, in fact, in his every action throughout life. We can hardly say more, except that here in Canada he is universally esteemed, and held by all classes in the highest respect. This feeling was evinced in a great measure during the recent visit of the heir apparent, when in many places the general was as much an object of the people's enthusiasm as our future king. On his first visit to America, in 1858, he was the recipient of innumerable demonstrations and dinners by the public bodies in all the cities and towns in British America.

He has also been rewarded by the Sultan of Turkey with the order of the Medjidie of the first class, and has been presented with the freedom of the city of London, accompanied by the gift of a splendid sword. He was also created an honorary D.C.L. of Oxford, at the annual commemoration in 1856.

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A NATIVE of Canada, having been born we believe in Toronto, C.W. He commenced the study of medicine in July, 1852, with the late Dr. John King, and after attending Toronto college, where he carried off many valuable prizes, and took the degree of