

Mr. Bidwell was a truly conscientious and deeply religious man, and in his views a rigid and unswerving Presbyterian, but so kind and tolerant to all men, that when he died in the seventy-third year of his age, he left behind him warm and deeply attached friends among Roman Catholics as well as all denominations of Protestants. He was gentle, kind, and true, the very incarnation of honesty and honor.

" Firm to his purpose, vigilant and bold,
Detesting traitors, and despising gold,
He scorn'd all bribes from Britain's hostile throne,
F'or all his country's wrongs were thrice his own."