

and continuously engaged in similar work for thirty-eight years, under similar difficulties and hardships to those which he encountered, and in which, therefore, my experience when I commenced to study the Quebec group was far greater than was Sir William Logan's when his final conclusions were reached in 1863. Therefore when I find my conclusions covertly attacked in vindicating those of my predecessor, and at the same time often tacitly adopted, in some cases with no acknowledgment and in others with the barest possible allusion to their author, while the whole subject is entirely misstated, as I have shown it to have been, it will I think be admitted by all unprejudiced persons that the foregoing remarks are not under the circumstances uncalled for or out of place.

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