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The British population had been taught to believe that he was the champion of their nationality, and their devotion was without limit. It is to those he failed to conciliate that we must look for the less enthusiastic judgment of his measures and policy, and the latter will find as little favor with all lovers of good government at this advanced period of the century, as when in the first decade they were censured by a vote of the Assembly. No one, however, has impugned the sincerity, the patriotism, the conviction by which they were dictated. It has never been even hinted that he acted otherwise than from a sense of right. But he labored under the misfortune of having advisers interested in the perpetuation of the abuses which were assailed, and of being opposed by politicians in the very infancy of the knowledge of statesmanship, who, however right they started in their desire for change, invariably permitted themselves to be placed in the wrong. Craig committed great faults, but he possessed great qualities. The prompting motive of his life was duty. And yet it is to such a character that an obscure unknown personage, on a rude, half legible coin, has applied the reproach of being "*Vexator Canadensis*," to be remembered so long as Numismatics remain a science. The perpetrator little foresaw the immortality he was conveying, and the extent to which the challenge would be answered. For we believe, that when the history of Canada comes to be written, as the duty has yet to be performed by men free from prejudice, and removed from the active influences which bewilder and pervert judgment, Craig, with all his errors, will stand forth as no displeasing portrait. His will be held to be a character which many would do well to imitate,—in his generosity, his honesty, his courage and his gentleness,—we use the word advisedly. While they avoid the errors, and blemishes of his