

word, and I have reason to believe that Sir William was in great preplexity in this matter.

*By Mr. Baker :*

Q. Do I understand that you consider it was showing his wisdom, from a geological point of view?—Not his wisdom, but his respect for the wishes of Sir William Logan.

Q. You have every reason to believe that that wish was expressed?—I have no reason to doubt Dr. Selwyn's word, from any other source.

Q. But during Sir William's life-time you had opportunities of conversing with him. Did he express such a view to you?—Not in those last years during which Sir William was at work, because I was absent from the country.

*By Mr. Dawson :*

Q. But you never understood before that Sir William wished to have his map suppressed?—No, I did not; but Dr. Selwyn says it was so.

Q. So the suppression of Sir William's great work rests upon Dr. Selwyn's assertion as to his wishes?—Yes. There is also another reason. Dr. Selwyn, in speaking to me about this map, the other day, said: "I have satisfied myself, Dr. Hunt, that you were right, and Sir William Logan was wrong;" and therefore, Dr. Selwyn, of his own motive, might think it proper to suppress the map, but he would have no right to, except Sir William Logan told him to do so. Therefore, I am willing to believe that Sir William did tell him that, as it would show his wisdom, if he did.

Q. Sir William was in doubt himself as to the correctness of his map?—Sir William said: "I do not know whether I can go over the work of forty years; I am too old for that, I am afraid;" and then afterwards undertook to do it.

Q. Do you know what work is being done in the department at present in the way of maps?—I do not; I saw Mr. Ellis plotting down his work in the Shickshock Mountains in the Gaspé region, where he seems to be doing very excellent work. I also saw a proof of a large map of the county, from the Plains to the Pacific, now being printed in Montreal and, as I judge, devoted to the distribution of the Indian tribes of the West, from the foot hills to the ocean, which could not be called a geological map.

Q. Of what use would that be to geology?—I cannot say; it shows the limits of their hunting grounds, and nothing else.

*By Mr. Baker :*

Q. Previous to your leaving the Geological Survey had you any conversation with Dr. Selwyn upon this map? Did he indicate to you that it was his intention to suppress it?—No, he never did. I might say Sir William Logan took exception to the views which I put forward in 1870 and 1871, and showed great displeasure thereat, with regard to the geological map of the Eastern Townships, Dr. Selwyn espoused strongly the views of Sir William, as opposed to mine. After fully examining, however, at my request, the evidence which I had laid before Sir William, as well as himself, he came to the conclusion that I was right and that Sir William was wrong. Sir William meanwhile examined this question and, as I am informed by Dr. Selwyn, recommended the suppression of the map.

*By Mr. Wood :*

Q. With regard to this map that has been referred to, and which Dr. Selwyn published, if I understand you rightly, as a topographical map, is it correct?—It is an excellent topographical map of the region in question.

Q. Was there anything improper in Dr. Selwyn taking the work of Sir William Logan, as he found it to be correct, and giving it to the public in that shape?—I will simply say that he published it as "the work of the Geological Corps, Alfred R. C. Selwyn, Director," and it was not correct to say that it was the work of the Geological Survey, except as the work of the map-maker.

Q. It was not then Sir William Logan's map?—Mr. Barlow was the chief map-maker for the Survey, and he was at work on it for ten years.