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Lady Dawson.

My Dear Madam-

Doubtless you have
more letters coming to you than
you can read or answer, yet
I cannot refrain from sending
just a note to convey to you my
sincere sympathy and respect.
You do not sorrow as those who
have no hope, there is rather
a note of triumph in the fact
that so noble a life has been
translated to a condition where
its unselfish service will be
so blessedly continued.

Although I had not the honor of keeping
up a personal acquaintance with Sir William,
I learned to respect - love - him during my
four years in McGill, and have followed
his work and writings with pleasure and
profit for the twenty five years since leaving
the old Hall. I am grateful to God, for
having known His honored servant:
You will permit me to say that when I
called at your cottage in Little Metis to
enquire for his health, and he asked me
to pray with him and for him, I never
felt my weakness or embarrassment more,
while I know the Loving Father, and what
it is to pour out the heart to Him, I felt the
need, rather that your husbands should pray
for me than I for him. Perhaps you will
remember saying to me then that they say
we are led in is sometimes very hard, steep
even near the top, Well, so it is; but the top is
reached, at last, and not one painful slip has been
in vain.

I am confident that the benediction
of that sweet life abides with you
still, and will abide until you
are reunited in bonds closer
and stronger than ever.

Permit me to wish for your
sweet peace and rest in our
Lord, whom you have known
and served so long.

I am,

Dear Madam,

Your sincere friend

W. Whitlock

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