

had provided out of their comparatively small incomes, is to give great confidence in the men who patrol our streets. For the hearts of men who love children are in the right place.

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#### JAMES STARK

A gallant but gentle and optimistic spirit was that of the late James Stark, who passed away suddenly last month and whose funeral was attended by a large concourse of the leading people of Vancouver. Strong in his devotion to British institutions, it was characteristic of him that as a lad he served his country in repelling the Fenian invasion of Canada. After much persevering and conscientious labor as a merchant through varying periods

of business depression and prosperity, he accumulated a competency, only to see most of it swept away in a concern to which he had entrusted it. But he never gave way to despondency. To meet him on the street, always smiling and bright, was a good tonic for the passer-by.

He could say:

"I hold that it is no man's to despair,  
But in the teeth of clenched  
antagonisms

To follow up the worthiest"

and his dauntless courage was good to see. Deeply devoted to his church, his was perhaps one of the most familiar figures in the congregation to which he belonged. We need more of such men.

## The Relation of the Church to Capital and Labour

### II. NOTES FROM DISCUSSION

#### "PUT RELIGION INTO POLITICS"

"IN every sphere of life," said D. B., "political and social, as truly as in the religious, the individual Christian, as a Christian and because a Christian, has a part to play and a duty to perform. But the Church in her organized capacity can only exercise a wise influence on social problems by being true to her Master and striving to carry on His work as He saw it, and as He committed it to her charge. She is to seek the reformation of society through the regeneration of individuals."

Is the attitude of the Church to Capital and Labour in accordance

with the views held by the critic or onlooker, which is aloofness? Do the followers of Christ accept their obligations as true witnesses for the Master in the social and business realm, or are they satisfied to be just silent members of the community?

Religion finds its inspiration in the worship of God, but it finds its expression not only in the worship of God, but in love to man. There are many classes, as well as individuals, who do not get a square deal. Those engaged in industrial or business life often suffer serious injustice in being made to work long hours or for less than a living wage, or in unhealthy or dangerous conditions. Religion requires us as Christians to secure justice for these workers, and for this