

sorely pressed by his accusers. "Which of you," said he to his friends, "will go in with me, and stand beside me at the judgment?" The first excused himself; the second accompanied him to the door of the judgment hall, and left him, the third went in with him, and proved that he was a true friend. The experience of this man is the experience of most men. Not every man who says, or vows, "I am your friend," proves friendly when the trying hour comes. The many forsake, the few remain to the last. We have all a judgment seat to face. It may be either the judgment of our fellows, or of our God; and who will go with us all the way, stand by us and defend us if need be? With the first our brethren can do much for us, by helping us with their counsels and their companionship; but with the second, there is One and One only! Who can and Who will prove Himself the Friend that sticketh closer than any brother. Gold here to men is a great friend, but there it will avail us nothing. Our brethren of our castle halls can follow us to the tomb, and can drop upon our coffin the sprig of myrtle, but at a pure Throne they cannot help us, but good deeds, through the grace of the Friend of Friends, will go with us all the way through life, and up to the great pearly Throne, and their trumpet tongues will speak for us that we may share the honors which the Supreme Chancellor will confer upon the faithful knights. In life never forget Him, of Whom the poet writes:

"One there is above all others
Who deserves the name of friend;
His is love beyond a brother's.
Costly, free, and knows no end.
They who once His kindness prove,
Find it everlasting love.

"Which of all our friends to save us
Could or would have shed his blood?
But our Master died to save us,
Reconciled in Him to God.
This was boundless love indeed;
Jesus is a friend in need.

"Could we bear for one another
What He daily bears from us?
Yet this glorious Friend and Brother
Loves us, tho' we treat Him thus.
Though for good we render ill,
He accounts us brethren still."

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OUR EDITOR.

Notwithstanding the extra cares of legislative duties, our worthy editor, George R. Maxwell, M. P., does not fail the "True Knight." His editorial comes to hand regularly, and each one is better than the last, if that were possible. The Committee are under many obligations to our worthy brother, and hope that he may long be spared to speak and write in the cause of humanity. The following clipping, taken from the Montreal "Herald," will show that the brother has made his presence known and felt in the East:

Mr. Maxwell, of Vancouver, delivered a speech which, besides showing careful thought upon political and economic questions, was also marked by a practical grasp of the problems before the House, and particularly those relating to British Columbia and the Far West. In Mr. Maxwell the labor men of Canada have a worthy champion and one who is not afraid to openly declare himself as such. He spoke of that whereof he knew, and the strength of his argument and the clearness of his expression were manifest, as he swept away one by one the allegations of the Opposition speakers who had spoken since Sir Hibbert Tupper had introduced Yukon affairs into the debate. Major Walsh and Mr. Ogilvie he knew personally, and his character sketches of these two men painted them in very different colors from those so recklessly laid on by Sir Hibbert and other Opposition speakers. Much valuable information followed, drawn from correspondence which he had recently had with constituents of his own now residing in Dawson City.

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