

FRIENDSHIP THE CORE OF RELIGION

loftier outlook to which it has raised him. For the savage, just beginning to question and to think for himself, the word electricity is an empty sound. He must reach a stage of civilization where electricity becomes his servant, to drive his chariot, to turn his factory wheels and to light his home, before that wondrous force is seen in its true light and its workings can be understood. So the great process of evolution had to do an age-long work with man before he was able to grasp even a little of its meaning. His first thought of it was sure to be out of proportion, and to that extent untrue. But when he let the wondrous vision do its formative work upon his soul and lift him to a view-point from which it could be seen, he realized that the marvellous workings he had called evolution demanded a worker and a thinker. A work with so clear a purpose, a work with so definite a progress, that even he, a part of it, could trace its successive steps toward a final goal, could never be a product of its own blind gropings.

In enunciating the law of evolution, science took the greatest step she has yet made. But a greater still remains to be taken—yes, is now being taken—by the great-