

in France, told me that he had never known what it meant to have a true friend until he had gone to the Front. He is a superior type of man, has lived all his life in Canada among the conventions of society, is a Scottish Rite Mason, and yet he said it was not until he came in contact with men in the trenches and thought as they thought, suffered as they suffered, aspired as they aspired, and faced death as they faced death that he really realized what human friendship actually is. It is there, said he, that men of rough exteriors and coarse language are practising the precepts of the Sermon on the Mount as I never knew them to be lived before.

If we as Masons lived up to all the high principles of moral action that we *know*, what a power for truth and right we would be in Ottawa! The whole tendency and design of the teachings of Masonry is to develop the finest feelings in our nature. Many of our duties as Masons are traditional and are so incorporated in the sacred mysteries of the Order that none of us can be ignorant of them. But we are not made better by merely acknowledging the correctness of such precepts as, "Love thy neighbour as thyself", "Do unto others as you would that they should do to you", "Return good for evil". How few, even of the most exemplary, really exercise all that is mild and amicable toward one another in the practice of brotherly love! The man of to-morrow will gather inspiration from the fellowship and fraternity of good men about him. By identifying himself with the Father's will, he will gradually and through many mistakes eliminate selfishness, error, and sin, and develop the christian character. By trying to be and do himself what he admires in others he becomes