

director of Messrs. J. and J. Colman, Limited, and lived most of his time in Norwich but he maintained his close connection with the paper right up to the time of his death. I well remember meeting him on one occasion outside the office in the pouring rain, and telling him that it was most uncomfortable weather, and I was about soaked through. With a whimsical smile he said, "Ah, but it is so good for mustard seeds."

GENEROUS APPRECIATION.—On the other hand, as an example of his thoughtfulness, I recollect that after fourteen years' work with the *Morning Leader*, during which I had never stayed away from the office on account of illness (although on some occasions I might reasonably have done so), I was forced to absent myself for a week. When I returned to my duties he inquired kindly after my health, and said that it would be a matter of personal gratification to him if I would consult his own doctor, an old colleague at Cambridge. I promised to do so, and it transpired that he made special inquiries about me, and was told that I needed a long rest combined with a course of Spa treatment. Thereupon he begged me to follow that advice, adding that he himself had recently been obliged to do the same, and as he found it a most expensive proceeding, asked if I would "Just put the cost down to a friend named Stuart." My reply was that I would gladly do anything to please him in the shape of work, but I certainly could not go away for a long holiday, or accept his kind offer. Nor did I do so, but soon managed to recover my health in "The Street of Ink."

Such thoughtfulness was typical of him, and indeed he and Mr. Parke, who was then managing editor, seemed to act in combination for the purpose of encouraging me. I treasure many charming letters from both of them. The following quotation from one letter which Professor Stuart wrote to me is given not because of its personal reference, but to show the generous spirit in which he treated his