

our way clearly Robinson's foresight and judicial mind kept us out of difficulties.

The warm friendship formed under these circumstances lasted until his death; and when it fell to my lot to discharge the anxious duties of a member of the Alaska Boundary Tribunal, it was no surprise to me that no one presented the case for Great Britain with greater clearness or force than Christopher Robinson, although he did so under conditions of health which rendered his task of addressing the Court of no small effort to himself. It was a great privilege to be permitted to enjoy his friendship and I shall cherish his memory as long as I live.

I am, with great respect,

Faithfully yours,

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It is somewhat strange to us in this country to read the severe criticisms which occasionally appear in the legal journals of England on the judicial utterances and other actions of the English judges. The *Law Times*, in referring to a recent appointment describes it as "a job" and continues: "We are sorry to say that of recent years there has been a growing tendency to fill vacancies, even upon the Bench, without regard to the great responsibilities that rest upon the nominator. Political and domestic considerations are only too often painfully conspicuous, and it is a state of things one can only deeply regret." Some of our Canadian judges would probably feel very much aggrieved, and perhaps not a little surprised, should as strong language be used by legal journals in this country as is common in England. Occasions for criticisms arise here as well as there, and will continue to do so, as long as judges are only human beings. Complaints by the profession here may run in other directions from those above referred to, and will differ from time to time. At present, for example, it might not be out of place to comment upon the occasional want of courtesy by a judge to members of the Bar, especially junior members; lack