"Merge Attributes" tool doesn't change values when they are typed

Add features to a layer (I'm using a PostGIS layer. Didn't try with shapes)
Select them and try to merge their attributes with an already existing feature.
If you select the value to use in the drop-down list, it's applied but it doesn't work if you type the value in the "Merge" row.
Doesn't work in 2.12.3

Make entering manual values in merge attributes dialog more user friendly (fix #14146)
Previously, if a value was manually entered it would be ignored if the user forgot to change the combo box from the "skip" value to some other value (even though that value would not be used).
Now, there's a new "manual" value in the combo box, and manually entering a value will switch the combo automatically to the "manual" option.

Are you sure that you've changed the combo box at the top of the table from the default "skip" value?

Indeed, you are right I haven't changed it. But in the case the new value I want to set is not yet in the features attributes, how can I set it? The workaround is to change the combobox value from the "skip" value to any other value and then type the desired value. a bit complicated, no?
Could we imagine that as soon as the user begins typing a value in a "Merge" cell, the "skip" value of this field becomes something else ? (to avoid skip while user has set a value)

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Agreed. I'll see what I can do.

Fixed in changeset commit: "3f94adc82aebdec553f48ea2fcbd9fb184193722".