

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT

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Dear Brother:-

In yours of March 24th you say, "Later on I may be able to give an order for a hundred copies of Paul J. J. J. Publishing House here has failed to get the books out on time agreed to, but we will be ready to ship in a week or two. Am sure you will be delighted with the edition. My record shows that one copy was sent to Kind Words for review. I would appreciate a good review in that paper."

Many pleasant things are coming in about the story and I am hoping it will do great good. I am charmed with the book as a whole. In a beautiful spirit it brings out about all of our doctrines and practices.

I wish you had been with us in London. We had a great time. The spirit was heaven-like and I believe the American Baptists made a profound impression upon the English Baptists. They were free to confess astonishment at the scholarship and speaking powers of the Americans. We did it up greatly. Gardner perhaps made the greatest hit <sup>with his</sup> address, Mullins with a paper and Robertson in a five minutes' humorous speech. Others from both North and South did excellently. Why did Dr. Strong belabor us with an hour and forty minutes? The sermon was strong enough however to keep it from falling, and it came early in the session which saved it. He founded his system of theology on Paul's experience. It is impossible to tell you how enthusiastic the whole meeting was for the Baptist cause else where. Our Baptists' cousins are enthusiastic for immersion as much so as we are, but in their great Nonconformist fight they feel forced to catch folks any way almost, just so they are converted, and then they undertake to instruct them. The new Tasmanian pastor of Regents' Park, Dr. Walker, told me that he was baptizing his church members nearly every week and that he made that one of his special works. I rejoiced to find this out for



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I was afraid they were really indifferent to the Scripture teachings on Baptism.

Mr. Shakespeare said that we y<sup>t</sup> could not get through the English part of the proposed Baptist World Alliance any constitution which did not shut out Unitarian Baptists or those tinctured with it and he g<sup>t</sup> fought hard for the insertion of immersion in the constitution. We did put into the constitution the words, "Our Savior and God," after the name of Jesus." We left out immersion because if we had gone that far we would have had to make a full creed and that we could not agree upon.

The trend of the whole Congress was toward stronger assertion of Baptist principles and there was a growing, eager desire for Baptists to get closer together in their beliefs, practices, and work. I am hoping that when we get their leaders over here at our next meeting that we will do even more towards lining them up. There was a good deal of caucusing among us Americans about the general theme for the next meeting and we all came to agree on this: "The Ultimates of Christianity." It will be easy to clinax that subject with something like Dr. Mullins' axioms. How those axioms did strike everybody!

Yours sincerely,

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