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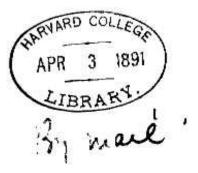
REV'D OMNIA OMNIBUS, S.I.B.I.

Rector of the Church of St. Latitudinarius, Broadwalk, Beamends. Fellow of the Antedituvian Abrogation Society. Author of "An Inquiry into the Limitations of Lunacy," etc., etc.

> "Ridentem dicere verum Quid vetat?" "Into another Gospel, which is not another."

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Spreadabroad, Beamends, April 1, 1890.

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR:

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The undersigned, a Committee of a meeting of associated parishioners of the Church of St. Latitudinarius, Broadwalk, and of the Church of All Sects, Spreadabroad, beg leave to assure you of the general sensation produced by your recent discourse on the Extension of the Indefinite.

We can imagine nothing more in harmony with the times than the views which you have thus so eloquently expressed; and, as we are convinced that nothing can better conduce to the variation of that environment of principle, which has hitherto more or less enclosed mankind, than the indefinite extension of the "extension of the indefinite," we earnestly request that you will favor us with a copy of this most remarkable discourse for publication.

> We are, Reverend and Dear Sir, With distinguished sentiments,

> > M. T. SOUNDING. T. BELL BRASS.

A. TINKLING CYMBAL.

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To the Reverend OMNIA OMNIBUS, S.I.B.I., Rector, etc., etc.

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BROADWALK, BRAMENDS, April 1, 1890.

GENTLEMEN :

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I have the honor to respond without a moment's hesitation to your flattering note, of this appropriate date, requesting a copy, for publication, of my recent discourse on the extension of the indefinite.

I need hardly say that the discourse was prepared without expectation that it would be published, or would be known beyond the circle of that appreciative audience which I have for some years past, I think not unsuccessfully, endeavored to please. It is particularly gratifying to me that the request for publication has come from an association combining members of the Church of St. Latitudinarius and of the Church of All Sects, as the unification of these parishes has been one of the aims which I have for a long time consistently, though not always professedly, had in view. I am persuaded that Broadwalk and Spreadabroad already are invisibly one. Their visible union cannot be long deferred, and it will be a happy earnest of the fulfilment of wider aspirations toward which the extension of the indefinite is steadily progressing.

I enclose the manuscript already prepared for the press, and have great pleasure in placing it at your disposal.

I am, gentlemen, with effusion,

Your obedient servant,

O. OMNIBUS.

Messrs. M. T. Sounding,

T. BELL BRASS,

A. TINKLING CYMBAL.

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"Which Things are an Allegory."

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- GAL. IV. 24.

THESE words are introduced by the Apostle Paul into the argument which he addresses to the Galatians with the purpose of showing them their true relations as Christians to the law of Moses. After their conversion to the Christian faith, certain false Apostles and teachers had crept in among them striving to persuade them that except they should keep the law of Moses they could not be saved. Nor was it merely the moral law (at that time commonly associated with the name of Moses) which they were required to observe, but also another kind of law, sometimes called ceremonial as requiring the performance of various rites and formal acts. And the teaching by which the Galatians were being seduced from their faith, was that they