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My Dear Brother in Christ

The interview I had with you in London forms one of the most pleasing incidents and one of the most agreeable recollections of my whole life. The scene in Crosby Hall at the meeting of the Congregational Union will never be forgotten by those who witnessed it. My heart is knit to you in strong affection and fervent gratitude for the help you have afforded me in my attempts to do good; the love of art which prompts you to undertake this labour, flows to me, and to me, equally constrains me to return you my sincere and cordial thanks; and at the same time it seems to bind our hearts together by sacred ties. O how mighty is the love of Jesus to us, and of our love to him, and one another. How wonderful is the operation of this divine passion, that those who work, saw each other before should by a single interview seem as holy one, as if they had been growing into each others hearts for years.

When I had the happiness to see you at my brothers office, I presented you a small acknowledgment for your labours in translating my books: this I now send which you will please to accept, not so much as a reward, for its does not denote that designation, but as love-tokens from a brother who has you in his heart. Any bankers in your country will give you cash for it. You will be so kind as to acknowledge the receipt of it, at your earliest convenience, that I may know it has been duly received and paid. Do not feel as if you were under any obligation to me, for the obligation is on my side and not on yours. You will have a much richer reward

than any I could offer in another and a better world. What will it be  
 to insubscribe the entry and see a smile upon his countenance, and then hear  
 say, "Well done good and faithful servant". Such words from such lips!!  
 Along then be your happy lot and mine - and we need nothing higher or better,  
 and can have nothing higher or better,  
 Let Hall who has written to you about translating his tract, entitled

The Rev Dr Nicholas ~~Stoddard~~  
 Hampstead  
 near Haarlem  
 Holland.



"The Streams of Life" is an excellent treatise, and his little works, though very  
 simple, I have been greatly blessed of God, and have been translated into many  
 languages - May the Lord bless your labours and prolong your life  
 Yours sincere friend and affectionate helper is  
 Jos James

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My Dear Friend and Brother in Christ

It is a long time since I heard from you,  
 or of you; and have been most agreeably surprised by  
 a most unexpected and delightful renewal of our correspondence,  
 in the visit of Dr Le Poole, and he has sent me of a  
 copy of your translation of "The Christian's Pilgrimage". How  
 shall I thank you for this "labour of love"? You are thus extending  
 the sphere of my usefulness in your country. May God of his great  
 goodness and grace continue to give his blessing to the circulation of  
 these works in Holland, and of his rich grace <sup>thus</sup> make you and  
 me joint workers in the Kingdom of his Son

I am ever glad by intelligence of your life, health and  
 usefulness. May God long continue these blessings to you. May you

and I be able in the fullest sense of the words, to utter  
to my words the aphorism, "For me to live is all, and to die is  
gain". I am now entered on the seventy fourth year of my  
age, and am in the fifty third of my pastorate, and therefore  
must be on the border country of the evening world. And hence  
the cause of infirmities of declining years, am most affected with  
disease of the kidneys, so that I cannot exert any more with  
great inconspicuous. In the course of life, I find cause for deep  
lamentation on account of short comings, and yet cause for thank  
fulness for having been enabled, through grace, to be a member for  
Christ. Oh my brother, let it be our one great aim to excel here  
I trust you are still bearing faithful testimony for his Kingdom  
abroad, and the faithfulness of the service by faith in him  
Redeemer by his blood, and Regenerator by his Spirit, are the  
great treasures of the Christian Ministry. I det, as I have  
long determined to know rather what, and, or what, of the subject,  
that I am Christ and how crucified? There is, in the Philistine

and a substance here an million will give, from the "confident" that is in  
Christ. Alas, you be increased faithful among the faithful

I have for the last four years had a co. Tutor - a man of con-  
siderable ability and a good teacher; with whom I work harmoniously.  
By Dr. Poole I have forwarded a copy of a work, I have enclosed  
for America, and which I have re-printed in this country. A  
third edition is now in the press. It is to me a duty interesting to do  
and discover a wonderful faculty in solving the death and life  
culture of injured minds. I have also given to Dr. Poole a copy  
of a new work which I have just published on Christian Science  
and would have gladly sent you one, if I had not been afraid  
of encumbering you with too many books. He, I am sure  
will let you see it. I know of no whole volume, as I have  
stated in the preface on the same subject.

Will you give me in a letter your candid opinion  
of your Dr. Poole's help of Spiritualism? I would want to know  
all about him.

And now was the Lord bless you. I shall be

Wishes to hear from you

Your sincere friend and affectionate Brother

J. A. James

P.S. As Dr. Poole, with whom I have been much conversant,  
is inclined to take for you a copy of my book on Hope, I have  
with great readiness entrusted one to his care for you.

by glaze Life of John Angell Jones  
Edited by R. W. Dale.  
Lynn 1861.  
p. 309.

Autobiographical.

A scene occurred at a meeting of the [Congregational] Union in London which made a deep impression on all who were present. A Dutch minister, by the name of Dr. Preetz, a poet and a highly respectable member of the Established Church, put on word to the secretary that if permitted he proposed with to be present and address the meeting. He was introduced and allowed to speak. He announced his name and position, and declared that he had come from Holland, not only to be at the meeting but to meet me and to present to me two volumes of my works which he had translated into Dutch, and to inform me of the benefit which had resulted of my "Angels & Angels" in the language of his country. He then of twelve students of the ministry who had been converted by the

people of that work [!]. He addressed me  
at the meeting in terms so impressive and  
affecting as to call for myself a  
response which, together with his own  
words, melted the whole audience into  
tears. Dr. Leifchild (I think he was  
the person) rose, and said that such was  
their emotion, it was impossible to go  
on with mere dry business till their  
feelings had a little subsided, and  
suggested that they should all unite  
in prayer, which they accordingly  
did. Dr. Peets has since translated  
other of my works into Dutch.

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[!] Helge it recommended and that  
can be seen in the original in  
the Ab. in Utrecht (Taat, recent present  
& Middelburg) by the translator of H. S.  
as 12 years since the very theol. faculty  
as example. In the book had to experience  
please, a that we in, at the 12 names  
Seyn he did & then a lot of various  
prohibitions not overruling a emts.