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My dear Nat,

Thank you for your letter of January 24. I have also seen Ward and talked over your book. There is a good deal of talk just now about a series from the Evangelical standpoint in opposition to the Oxford Church Texts, and certainly a book on the Articles would be required in such a series. Your suggestion of separate Parts I and II would not work at all. The only possibility of two volumes would be along the lines of Kidd's little work in the Oxford series. I do not think we are likely, at any rate in England, to appeal to a class of laymen who want the Articles apart from historical circumstances which gave rise to them. If however such a man is in existence he can obtain all that he needs in a very simple but really valuable little work written by Middleton, the Tutor of the C.M.S. Training Institution, entitled, "Lambeth and Trent", which is an admirable summary with Scripture proofs of the teaching of the Articles. I therefore press strongly for a book from our point of view which will meet and overcome Kidd's specious presentation. Your book would necessarily need a good deal of alteration and addition for this purpose, but there is so much in it that is telling and admirable that I sincerely hope it may be made the groundwork of something like that which is needed over here. Before this letter is posted I expect to see the man who has the contemplated series in charge and I will put your book before him and find out what his plans are. He may, for all I know at present, already have arranged for the Articles to be done.

I was much interested in the report in the Australian "Churchman" which you sent me. It is not at all surprising that the Correspondent of the "Church Times" should have his knife in Moore College. I rejoice in the blessing that God is granting to you.

You have doubtless seen before now the announcement of my appointment to Wycliffe. I shall greatly enjoy the work, even though it will mean a good deal to leave my present opportunity. I wish you could find time to send me a rough sketch of your courses of lectures in order that I may compare notes, while making my own arrangements. I want to include in the short space of the three terms just the very best and most important subjects for the men. I hope you will have received my books before this, and if you can do anything to push the "Catholic Faith" in your part of the world I shall be very glad.

With brotherly love,

Yours ever affectionately,

P.S. I have lent the man your book to read & he will report on it soon.

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