

point of view ; but at least do not let yourself be persuaded to think that I am still carrying on that line of teaching in spite of you ! I yielded my opinion to yours at once, but it does not seem to have made any difference. All through the affair I have guided myself as far as possible by what you would wish.

Do not think from the above that I am repining or blaming you in any way ; so long as our friendship remains, opinions are a matter of minor importance. I trust you absolutely, knowing that you will always do, and are now doing, what seems to you your duty. I think if I had been physically with you, you would have seen more fully exactly what I meant, and perhaps your decision would have been different ; but in that case the trial for me would have been quite different also ; so probably full advantage has been taken of the present position of affairs. In the end all will certainly be well, even if things are a little comfortless in the meantime, and at least nothing can ever change my affection and regard for you, so if ever I can be of use by standing at your side again you may count upon me as already there.

With very much love,

(Sd.) C. W. LEADBEATER.

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Mrs. Besant wrote the following letter to Mr. C. W. Leadbeater on September 13th, 1906.

Shanti Kunja,  
Benares City,  
September 13th, 1906

MY DEAR CHARLES,

Your notes of Aug. 14th and 21st came together by the last mail. I had a friendly note from Kent and responded

in-like spirit. If I go to Australasia it will be in 1908, I suppose. I do not want to go, but probably shall.

I doubt if the sales of your books will cease, for they have intrinsic value. I have many letters and always answer that in the main I believe them to be reliable, but that like H. P. B.'s and my own, there are sure to be some errors of detail, that will be corrected by fuller knowledge. I shall certainly have time to look over any manuscript of yours. I am in favour of the T. P. S. continuing to publish.

There is no particular news here, and in England every one seems to be holiday-making. Would you care for me to send you the C. H. C. Magazine to keep you in touch with one side of my work?

Life goes rather hardly with me, but I can wait.

Always with love,

Very affectionately yours,

(Sd.) ANNIE BESANT.

Mr. C. W. Leadbeater wrote the following letter to Mrs. Annie Besant on October 9th, 1906.

Permanent address :—10 East Parade.

Harrowgate, England.

October 9th, 1906

MY DEAR ANNIE,

Many thanks for yours of September 13th. I am very sorry to hear that life hardly goes with you just now; if there is anything that I can do to help I am sure you will not fail to let me know. I wish you had allowed me to remain near you in India, for I believe I could have saved you some at least of the many troubles. Certainly I shall be glad to see the Hindu College Magazine, for