

Mrs. Besant wrote again to Mrs. Dennis at a later date. That letter is very interesting. Here it is.

May 10th, 1906.

“ You ask me what you are to think of my position. This I know, Mr. Leadbeater to be a disciple of Master K. H. I have constantly met him out of the body and seen him with the Master and trusted their work. I know that if he were evil-minded this could not be. I cannot therefore join in hounding him out of the T. S., in which he has been one of our best workers. Further, I know how much terrible evil exists among young men, and the desperate straits in which many find themselves to deal with these evils and which fall to the lot of many clergymen, parents and teachers and I cannot bear unlimited condemnation of the attempt to deal with them. Trials come from time to time—Coulomb attack on H. P. B. Doubtless from the worldly point of view, I should save trouble by deserting Mr. L. but I do not see that to be my duty.

But the American section of the Theosophical Society, as we have already said, appointed a Commissioner and sent him to England to lay the matter before Col. Olcott.

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The American section of the Theosophical Society issued a circular signed by the Secretary, Mr. Alexandar Fullerton. In this Mr. Fullerton narrated in detail the circumstances under which the section had come to the decision to take action against Mr. Leadbeater. He mentions the