

"HAIL TO THEE, PEARL, HIDDEN IN THE LOTUS!"

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DEVOTED TO BUDDHISM IN GENERAL, AND such an extreme that to our Western TO THE BUDDHISM IN SWEDENBORG IN PARTICULAR.

BUDDHISM AND CHARITY.

The "North American Review" for March, 1885, published an article by F. Max Müller, headed "Buddhist Charity," in which the learned Oxford Professor makes the following significant remarks:

"Most people are attracted by the doctrines of Buddhism, by its moral code, its parables, and its metaphysical teaching. But as one of the many solutions of the problem of poverty, or as an attempt at constructing a society in which no one should stand alone or feel himself forsaken, in which each man should love his neighbor as himself, not only in word but in very deed, I think it deserves the attention of all that are interested in the historical development of charity. In one sense, Buddhism and Charity are synonymous lerms. The Buddhist brother lives on the charity of his brotherhood, or the monastery or col- described in the following words : 'As lege to which he belongs. The brotherhood lives on the charity of what we call the laity, the Upasakas, those who, though they do not join the brotherhood, support it as a religious duty by alms. Charity, therefore, is above, below, around, unstinted. unthe very life and soul of Buddhism; or, as it has been expressed by a Buddhist: 'Charity, courtesy, benevolence, unselfishness, are to the world liness has been found. what the linch-pin is to the rolling chariot.' But charity with the Bud-dhists is not confined to giving alms; be a (genuine) man, he has to be a charity in form;'' and, "he that is not a charity with them is one of the six, or form of charity is a form of hatred " (C. ten, highest perfections, what they 93; 100). Now a Form of Charity call Paramitas, and then becomes is the Form of a Mind free from the complete self-surrender, carried to delusion that it can elevate others be-

minds it is unreal and almost grotesque. The Paramitas are : charity, morality, long-suffering, earnestness, concentration, wisdom and prudence.

"By charity the Buddha meant not simply the giving of alms, not simply giving out of our abundance, giving, in fact, what we ourselves do neither want nor miss, but a readiness to give up everything, even what is dearest to us; not only our jewels and our land, but our life, nay, even more than our life, our wife and children, so that we may obtain what is called Buddhahood, and be able to save ourselves and our brethren from ignorance, misery, sin, and eternal transmigra-tion. I have said that *Buddhism and* Charity are synonymous. It was charity, as preached and practiced in his last life, that enabled Gautama to reach the highest perfection in this life, when he preached and practiced the law. There is one Buddha to come, who is called Maitreva, the teacher of Maitri or Love. That love is a mother, even at the risk of her own life, protects her son, her only son, so let there be love without measure among all beings. Let love without measure prevail in the whole world; mixed with any feeling of differing or opposing interests. Then the saying will be fulfilled : Even in this world ho-

Swedenborg says: "for a man to

fore it has elevated itself by the aban- in all its purity, in all its bright perfecpersons and things. A Form of Char- beard, let me clothe myself in the orgives without stint the bawbles of the less state.' three worlds to whomsoever asks for them, and then feels itself rich in the portion of wealth, be it great or ever-present, all-bestowing, Divine small; forsaking his circle of relatives. Life !

THE RIGHT WAY.

Two young Brahmans named Vasettha and Bharadvaja, came one day to the Buddha to ask the right way to a Divine Life.) And the Buddha answered them in the following discourse; hood-but only as an answer to the particular question put by Vasettha:

and worthy, abounding in wisdom and the world, unsurpassed as a guide to erring mortals, a teacher of gods and which lives, he abstains from destroysees, as it were, face to face, this uni- and pity, he is compassionate and kind verse-the world below with all its to all creatures that have life! This spirits, and the worlds above, of Mara is the kind of goodness he has and of Brahma-and all creatures, Samanas and Brahmans, gods and not his, he abstains from taking anymen, and he then makes his knowledge thing not given. He takes only what known to others. The truth doth he is given, therewith is he content, and proclaim both in its letter and he passes his life in honesty and in its spirit, in lovely in origin, lovely in its progress, lovely goodness he has. in its consummation : the higher life and in all its perfectness. A house- habit of sexual intercourse. holder, or one of his children, or a too, is the kind of goodness he has. man of inferior birth in any class, of hindrances is the household life, a too, is the kind of goodness he has. path defiled by passion; free as the air is the life of him that has renounce from calumny. What he hears here he ed all worldly things. How difficult repeats not elsewhere to raise a quarrel is it for the man that dwells at home against the people here: what he

donment of the love of ownership of tion ! Let me then cut off my hair and ity is a form of sublime selfishness : ange-colored robes, and let me go forth for it realizes it has all in itself. It from a household life into the home-

Then before long, forsaking his be they many or few; he cuts off his hair and beard; he clothes himself in the orange-colored robes, and goes forth from the household life into the homeless state. When he has thus become a recluse he passes a life selfstate of union with Brahma (the restrained according to the rules of the Patimokkha; uprightness is his delight, and he sees danger in the which the reader should not take as a least of those things he should avoid ; complete statement of His own view he adopts and trains himself in the of life-of Arahatship and of Buddha- precepts; he encompasses himself with holiness in word and deed; he sustains his life by means that are quite 'Know, Vasettha, that from time to pure; good is his conduct, guarded time a Tathagata is born into the the door of his senses; mindful and world, a fully Enlightened One, blessed self-possessed, he is altogether happy !

Now wherein, Vasettha, is his goodness, happy, with knowledge of conduct good? Herein, O Vasettha, that Putting away the murder of that men, a Blessed Buddha. He, by ing life. The cudgel and the sword himself, thoroughly understands, and he lays aside; and, full of modesty

Putting away theft of that which is its purity of heart ! This is the kind of

Putting away unchastity, he lives in doth he make known, in all its purity chastity and purity, averse to the low This.

Putting away lying, he abstains listens to that truth. On hearing the from speaking falsehood. He speaks truth he has faith in the Tathagata, and when he has acquired that faith faithful and trustworthy, he injures he thus considers with himself: 'Full not his fellow-man by deceit. This,

to live the higher life in all its fulness, hears elsewhere he repeats not here to

raise a quarrel against the people there. made known to us, in many a figure, Thus he lives as a binder together of by the Blessed One. And we, even those that are divided, an encourager we, betake ourselves, Lord, to the of those that are friends, a peace- Blessed One as our Guide, to the maker, a lover of peace, impassioned Truth, and to the Brotherhood. May for peace, a speaker of words that make for peace. This, too, is the kind of goodness he has.

Putting away bitterness of speech, he abstains from harsh language. Whatever word is humane, pleasant to the ear, lovely, reaching to the heart, urbane, beloved of the peoplesuch are the words he speaks. This. too, is the kind of goodness he has.

Putting away foolish talk, he abstains from vain conversation. In season he speaks; he speaks that which is; he speaks fact; he utters good doctrine; he utters good discipline; he speaks, and at the right time, that which redounds to profit, is well-grounded, is well-defined, and is full of wisdom This, too, is the kind of goodness he has.

And he lets his mind pervade one quarter of the world with thoughts of Love, of Pity, of Sympathy, of Even-ness of Mind; and so the second, and so the third, and so the fourth. And thus the whole wide world, above, below, around, and everywhere, does he continue to pervade with heart of Love, far-reaching, grown great and beyond measure!

Just, Vasettha, as a mighty trumpeter makes himself heard-and that without difficulty-in all the four directions, even so of all things that have shape and life, there is not one that he passes by or leaves aside, but regards them all with mind set free and deep-felt love! Verily, this, Vasettha, is the way to a state of union with Brahma !"

Then Vasettha and Bharadvaja addressed the Blessed One, and said:

"Most excellent, Lord, are the words of thy mouth, most excellent ! Just as if a man were to set up that which is thrown down, or were to reveal that which is hidden, or were to point out the right way to him that has gone astray, or were to bring a lamp into darkness, so that those that have eyes can see external forms;just even so, Lord, has the truth been

the Blessed One accept us as disciples, as true believers, from this day forth. as long as life endures !"

GROWTH.

The living stream must flow, and flow, And never rest, and never wait, But from its bosom, soon or late, ast the dead corpse. Time even so Cast the dead corpse.

Runs on and on, and may not rest, But from its bosom casts away The cold dead forms of yesterday-Once best, may not be always best.

That which was but the dream of youth, Begot of wildest fantasy

To our old age, perhaps, may be A good and great and gracious truth.

That which was true in time gone by, As seen by narrow, ignorant sight, May in the longer, clearer light Of wiser times become a lie.

I hold this true-who ever wins Man's stature here below,

Must grow, and never cease to grow-For when growth ceases, death begins. -ALICE CARY.

SECRET BUDDHISM.

Both in Western and Eastern Thibet, as in every other place where Buddhism predominates, there are two distinct religions, the same as it is in Brahmanism-the Secret philosophy and the Popular religion. The former is that of the followers of the doctrine of the sect of the Sutrantika. They closely adhere to the spirit of Buddha's original teachings which show the necessity of intuitional perception, and all deductions therefrom. These do not proclaim their views, nor allow them to be made public.-ISIS UNVEILED.

SWEET MEMORIES.

- I think sweet memories will not die,
- But live, and die not ever; I think the heart's sweet memories' tie
- Will bounden be forever.
- I think sweet memories will awake That long have slept and slumbered;
- I think the longest night will break In dawn and joys unnumbered.

-T. O. PAINE.

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"THIS ANCIENT ONE [THE BUDDHA] IS OUR ANGEL, WHOM WE REVERE AND OBEY."-SWEDENBORG.

WITH this number of the RAY we begin the publication of Philangi Dasà's "occult" story, "Swedenborg in the Lamasery."

THE Theosophists say that some Hindu Pandits have threatened, if Madame Blavatsky, the "Russian spy," in her forth-coming work, exposes any priestly tricks, they will ex- though she is unconsious, to bear witpose her. sake do n't! The West trembles at the as Vessantara, performed seven hunbare thought of it.

WHEN you write to us and expect an answer do not forget that we are rich in poverty and poor in riches; send along a little toward postage. And when you see something in the RAY, which you like, call your enemies' attention to it. In this way you may get us new subscribers and so extend your own and our usefulness.

THE Christian Swedenborgian ("New Church") journals are a little out of humor because the Western World will not accept the "only Christianity" of Swedenborg, and because the lofty Buddhistic teachings that underlie his theological parodies are publishing. They say we treat from the north shakes the sacred tree : Swedenborg as Ignatius Donnelly does it foretell the fall of Buddhism,

THE TEMPTER.

The Buddha, when fighting on earth his last fight with the powers of darkness, with Mara, the lord of death, the spirit of evil, challenged Mara by saying: "To me now belongs the throne that was occupied by former Bodhisattvas after they had practiced the ten perfections. Or canst thou produce any witness as to thy having practiced the high virtue of charity?" Then the Spirit of darkness stretched out his hand and called upon his followers, saying : "All these are my witnesses." And a shout arose from the people, crying, "We testify, we testify !" Then Mara, the evil spirit, said: "And thou, Prince Siddhartha, who can bear witness to thy acts of charity ? " The Buddha replied, "Thou hast living witnesses here. I have none. But I call upon the Earth, Pandits! for heaven's ness that during my last existence, I, dred great acts of charity, to say nothing of acts of mercy performed in earl-ier existences." Then he drew his right hand from under his cloak and stretched it forth to the Earth. And a voice arose from the Earth, saying : "I can bear witness to thy charity. And such was the thunder of that voice that it crushed the host of the enemy. The followers of Mara fled, and heavenly voices shouted : " Mara, Death, is conquered ! Prince Siddhartha has triumphed !"

THE SACRED TREE. [FROM THE CENTURY.]

The sky is overcast, a chill wind treats Lord Bacon in the Shakespeare matter. And they call the Protes-tants, "dragons;" the Catholics, "harlots;" the Spiritualists, "imbe-ciles;" the Theosophists, "charla-tans;" the Buddhist Sages, "Mon-rolian hobrobblins." and the author golian hobgobblins ;" and the author infinite journey of life. Banish from of "Swedenborg the Buddhist," a your thoughts the idea that Buddhism "fool," a "caricature," a "woman-hater," a "boot-black," and a "con-ceited border-ruffian !" a great religion !-- L. PARKS.

SWEDENBORG IN THE LAMASERY.

[A Sequel of "Swedenborg the Buddbist."]

BY PHILANGI DÀSA.

INTRODUCTION.

In the Spiritual World I have talked with Spirits [Chelas] and Angels [Arhats] who were from Great Tar-tary, who informed me that they possess the Ancient Word; that they have possessed it from ancient times; that they perform their divine worship according to it; and that it consists of mere correspondences.—Sweden-DORG. (T. 279.)

How frightful those plateaux and solitudes of Mongolia are, in which the traveller sometimes finds himself as it were on enchanted ground : in which boulders look like men, animals, and tents; in which men, animals, and tents look like boulders ; and in which human voices are heard when a human being is not within a hundred miles. How frightful those entrances to Thibet are : the deep, dark, sunless gorges; the narrow, winding, slippery paths, where a false step tumbles you into eternity; the shaking, swinging planks and rope-bridges stretched over the foaming, hissing, seething cataracts and torrents; the bleak, craggy, icy mountain-walls; and the cold, snowy, treeless ridges and plains, from which rise mountainpeaks whitened with a perpetual glittering, blinding snow.

The Capuchin Desideri said that the very thought of his journey in those solitudes, gorges, and mountains made him tremble.

When the traveller has once surpassed the thousand and one dangers incident to the roads to Thibet, and has entered its confines, what does he find? Fertile fields and hillsides; vineyards and orchards; silks, pearls, silver, gold, and precious stones ; wellbuilt cities and magnificent palaces?

Happily, no !

The soil is poor, and in the short season of summer produces nothing but rye and barley; the hillsides are bare : one sees neither plants nor fruittrees; the houses, are small and narrow, made of stones heaped one upon would call a "representative" woranother, without any art; the inhabitants go clothed with plain woollen- abbots, monks, nuns, acolytes, altars, stuffs, and are as a rule moneyless, holy-water, images, incense, rosaries,

trade being generally carried on by exchange of commodities. With the exception of a few, almost inaccessible, fertile little spots, (veritable paradises in these wilds) there is in the whole wide land positively nothing to attract greedy traders, ambitious adventurers, and scheming priests and politicans. The schools, monasteries, and temples of Thibet are, to be sure, rich in treasures; but these, being of the Higher Soul and of the Divine Spirit of man, have no value in the markets of the West.

I can think of no spot on this globe (unless it be the North-Pole) fitted better than this very region for the safe-keeping of the Wisdom of the Ages, or as the Swedish Theosophist, Swedenborg, names it, the Ancient But might not the possession Word. of this Wisdom be worth an invasion and a conquest of the land? Kind reader: the Western nations might, in order to get possession of it, invade Thibet ; might capture, torture, and crucify every inhabitant; might indeed re-enact the barbarities enacted in the newly discovered America ; - but they would never obtain possession of it ; no, not even get a glimpse of it.

Man's Lower nature will never obtain for him the Wisdom of the Ages!

The experiences of Romanist monks in Thibet have been curious and instructive. Sent thither at long intervals (between the years 1661-1844) by their superiors to convert the Thibetans to Christianity, they have, after months and years of dangers from wild beasts and wild tribes; rains, floods, torrents, precipices, deserts, ice, snowstorms, hunger, thirst, cold, darkness - everything horrible ! - returned home, invariably to tell a tale of woe, of failure, of death, and of wonderful discovery.

We know their woes, their failures, and their deaths (how, for instance, nine of della Penna's companions lost their life); but do we know their discoveries? To wit: that the Thibetans have what Swedenborg ship: a Pope, cardinals, bishops, priests,

this way, answered the Procurator- ments of "Om mané padmé hum ! doubt it an anathema!

dhists, then, there was no limit to in- the presence of the God-man. credulity and fury: to incredulity on the part of the Protestants; to fury on the part of the Romanists. The Papal authorities unfrocked him. Poor, hon-god; that the Chinese and Tartars est monk! He did not long survive call him God the Father; and that the Thibetan expedition and the un- his religion, in essential points, tallies frocking: for the former ruined his with the Christian. He also tells us

discoveries of the Romanists Desideri religion had not the "devilish God (in 1414), Andrada (in 1624), Grue-ber and Dorville (1661), Horace the Father'' (sic.) prevented it! The missionary did not however see the Lama Konjû, but only a pict-(in 1732), and Huc and Gabet ure representing him. The king, (in 1844-46):

way to Thibet, he came to the foot of 1y; and so did the people (Grueber's a mountain-chain, which he ascended Letters). Jesuit Desideri says he by three plateaux, he found on the high- saw the Grand Lama : but this must est of these the Gentiles worshipping have been in a dream ! a venerable Old Man appointed to Capuchin della Penna tells us he guard the place. does that high place enclose? In Grand Lama, who, of course was de-Thibet he found that they worship a lighted with them ! showed him and

candles, processions, singing-service, Divinity); and that their principal extreme unction, and a confessional, — prayer consists of three words : Om in fact, a hierarchy and ritual, of (the power), Ha (the word), Hum which the Christian is an exact copy. (the love); which have a mystic sig-Heavens! How shall we account for nification. In these three words the it? cried the astonied Jesuits. In reader will no doubt recognize frag-General and the Congregation of the (Hail to thee, Pearl, hidden in the Lo-Propaganda, that the Devil, forseeing tus !) They worship also a deity the establishment of Christ's church, called Urghien, who is neither god nor and its orders and forms, had, in or- man, but both. In which we have the der to confound the faithful, the Pa- archetype of the incarnate God-man gans adopt these, long before Christ so often spoken of in the Swedenborcame into the world. Amen ! ejacu- gian theosophy. Swedenborg does not lated the Jesuits; and upon all that however mention Urghien, but hides him under some name familiar to his When Huc, upon the expedition of readers ; as, Jesus, or "God-Messiah." 1844—46, told Europe that the hier-archy and ritual of Thibet closely re-in their temples there is an altar covsemble those of the "Holy Mother-Church," he created but little sensa-in the middle of which is a tabernacle, tion: the Jesuits had told this nearly where, according to them, the Godtwo centuries aforehand. But when man resides, though he is at the same he solemnly stated that he had seen the time in the heavens (Du Halde's Let-Lamas perform wonders as great as ter. Edif, et Cur.). Here also is the any recorded in the Jewish-Christian archetype of Swedenborg's idea that books, and that he wished the French in Christian temples it is proper to Christians (his countrymen) were as place the "Word of the Lord" in a good and pious as the Thibetan Bud-tabernacle at the east end, to represent

Grueber tells us that the Highbody; the latter wounded his soul. he would have converted a goodly Let us look at some of the religious number of Thibetans to the Christian who was a brother of the Lama Desideri tells us that when, on his Konjû treated the missionary kind-

What sacred object submitted the Christian doctrines to the deity called Konchok (the Divinity), or Konchok-chik (the One Divine Life), or Konchok-sum (the Triune ular Russian ukase to this effect that

the Capuchins were to be at liberty to preach Christianism throughout Thi- nonsense and little sense about the bet; and later, wrote letters to them Dalay Lama, or as the Thibetans in which he stated that all their dis- sometimes call him, the Glorious courses were printed in his heart ! King (Gyalpo Rinpotshe), at Gedun How some persons do dream ! Let Dubpa, near Lhasa; but they have the reader bear in mind that these not told us much of either about the truthful missionaries were in the mere Pantshen Lama, the Glorious Teacher A B C of the Thibetan language. (Pantshen Rinpotshe), at Krashis Lun-With regard to the ecclesiastical af- po, in further Thibet. The offices of fairs of the Thibetans our Capuchin these two yellow-robed masters of Thibsays they are a counterpart to the et, being what Swedenborg would call Romish ; but only in externals. Just "representative" and "correspondenas at this day the Buddhist doctrines are tial" of divine verities, have a secret the counterpart to those of the Christ- history: ian Swedenborgian sect; but, of course, only in externals ! The Capuchin things, used the wisdom with itself, tells us furthermore that the Thibetans and so produced by meditation the five worship La (the Buddha); who came Dhyani-Buddhas. These are the Celesdown from the Celestial abodes, took tial Buddhas. Now the celestial has upon him human flesh, lived among ever a terrestrial counterpart, and this men and taught them, and then went Swedenborg calls its "correspondenup for awhile to the Celestial abodes. cy:" its terrestrial reflexion. Before he went up he promised to re- lestial Buddha, Amitabha (the "Infiturn to his disciples and to be ever nite Light''), is the fourth Dhyanipresent with them in the person of the Buddha; and the "correspondency, Dalay Lama. Behold here the origin of the Swedenborgian teaching that the God-man has made a second advent into the world and is now present with the Christians, not in person, but in "Spiritual sense of the Word;" that is to say, in the Theosonhic writings of has some big servants, the Bodisats is to say, in the Theosophic writings of ha, sent his servants, the Bodisats Swedenborg, which are said to be this Manju-sri and Avalokiteswara, to oversense. ing; for in these writings the "An- good; and they do this through the cient One," as Swedenborg calls the two Grand Lamas: the Glorious Buddha, has in a certain sense, made Teacher and the Glorious King ; which, his second advent-into the Western by the way, are the archetypes of Sweworld.

lay Lama signifies the Great High- and a King. Priest ; which priest is also styled the Eternal Father (Lama Konjû). And ings in the Swedenborgian theosophy Bentinck observes that the word Lama, in the Mongolian languages, signifies the Divine Wisdom: the two emanaa Priest ; and Dalay, a Vast Extent, tions of the Divine Life. The Divine or an Ocean : the Dalay Lama, then, is the Universal High-Priest. China he is called Ho-fo, the Living Love and whose light is Wisdom, cre-Buddha. Every knows that the Dalay Lama is not the invisible in the Universe. Now the Buddha Gautama; but that he is over-shadowed by the Holy Spirit of the Eternal Father, or by the Divine Ray of the "Lord's Word" with men. of the Eternal Wisdom radiated by the mind of all the Buddhas.

The missionaries have told us much

The A'di-Buddha, the origin of all The Ce-There is truth in this teach- shadow and to influence mankind for denborg's idea that the Divine is pres-Grueber tells us that the term Da- ent with mankind as a Teacher (priest)

> One of the most prominent teachis that concerning the Divine Love and Life, says he, by the radiation from it-In self of a Divine Sun, whose heat is intelligent Lama ates and sustains all things visible and of the "Lord's Word" with men.

Let us see where Swedenborg got this teaching : In the "Kingdom of

Snow" (Thibet) it has from time immemorial been held and taught that the Amitabha Buddha (the "Lord"), by the radiation from himself of the Bodisat Avalokiteswara ("Love") and of the Bodisat Manju-sri ("Wisdom" creates and sustains all things: and that these Bodisats have as their terrestrial counterparts the Dalay Lama (the "True") and the Pantshen Lama (the "Good"), which together represent the Law of the Buddha (the "Lord's Word'') with men.

(To be continued.)

THE THREE CLASSES OF MEN.

Science is the half-way house of the course of human development, - a resting place of the soul, when its sense-concepts of the intellect. In called opinion, knowledge, and illumspond respectively with the body, the BUCHANAN. mind and the soul, to put it exoterically; more truly, with sensation, ratiocination, and idealization. sense-bound Acolyte fancies that things are what they seem to be, -a necessary fallacy, in which most persons live and die. The reasoning Noviliate knows that things are not what they seem to be, and there is no flaw in his syllogism, ability to construct which The ideating Adept knows what sage to meditate upon, and the price is cheap. things are. The first cries for the *—The Hermetist.* things are. The first cries for the moon; the second knows it is not a green cheese; the third has it within arm's length. The first engenders nothing; the second procreates, the third creates. For the first, truth is that which seems to be; for the second, truth is that which is, or the agreement between the conception of the thing and the thing itself; for the agreement of his mind with itself, for it is the method of creation that it shall be but the expression of creative will.-E. Cours.

"SARCOGNOMY."

The Adhesive region of the head (the occipital), a region of Desire and Impulse, is interested in what is personal to ourselves, local and limited -the Intellectual region (the frontal) is interested in that which is impersonal and unlimited. The Adhesive region is interested in our friends alone-the intellectual region in all humanity alike. The Adhesive region seeks to be actively engaged in the midst of society and exerting an influence-the Intellectual region avoids action, enterprise, and responsibility, and is at home in solitude. The Adhesive region produces impulsive energy and ability to interest othersthe Intellectual region produces delipsychic clarity is only at par with the cacy, sensibility and (physical) inactivity. The one is highly emotional general, the unfolding of the spirit in and strong-the other is passionless man has three stages, which may be and (physically) feeble. The one develops in stirring life-the other in ination; or ignorance, erudition, and solitude. The one grows and strengthenlightenment; or nescience, science, ens in physical action-the other and conscience. And these corre- exhausts and emaciates .- DR. J. R.

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