

[A written copy of the following was sent to the BRITISH Museum, with the Revised Edition of "THE DIVINE LOOKING GLASS,"—Reprinted in 1846.]

TO THE READER.

BELOVED BRETHREN,

There appears to be a very great error crept in amongst us, in some way or other, which I cannot account for, there being no account or List of the Subscribers, nor record in the Church respecting the re-printing of that Divine Looking-Glass, in the year 1760 ; nor any thing in the records of the Church to justify any person in mixing and re-printing that again, which the Prophet Muggleton has left out in his Revised Edition, but altogether to the contrary, as may be seen on reference to the Stream, bound in the Third Volume, page 9, in a letter to Walter Bohenan, and in the Acts of the Witnesses, bound in the Third Volume. See Epistle Dedicatory, page 6, and Answer to Nine Assertions in the same book, pages 136 to 152, and for the danger of adding and taking away from the true Prophets, Apostles, and Ministers. See the Interpretation of the whole Book of the Revelations, bound in the second volume, page 318. More places might be named, but I suppose there is enough to show the error, which will appear as follow :—

In the year 1836, we presented to the British Museum, the Prophets Reeve and Muggleton's Writings, bound

in three volumes with other Books relative thereto. But it appears that the Divine Looking-Glass, bound in the first volume of those Books, is not authorised by the Prophet Muggleton, he being the longest liver, and on whom the commission of the Spirit wholly rested, after the decease of John Reeve, as will appear on references to the places before mentioned.

In a few years after we had presented the Books to the British Museum, we had occasion to re-print the Divine Looking-Glass.

But before we began to print it, we collected all ;;the old Divine Book we could find, with a view to correct any error that might have ocured in the press ; and, in doing so, we found three different Divines, that is to say, the first Book printed in John Reeve's life time, in the year 1656, and one revised by and printed for Lodowick Muggleton, in the year 1661; which the Prophet Muggleton has recorded as having done so, as may be seen in the Acts of the Witnesses, bound in the Third Volume, page 82, a true copy of which was printed by subscription in the year 1846.

And one printed in the year 1760. In this one appears to be re-printed all that which the Prophet Muggleton left out in his revised edition, which is 99 years after the Prophet Muggleton.

And there appears no authority from him to re-establish or reprint that again which the Prophet Muggleton has

left out; but to the contrary, which makes it appear error r in those that printed it; and not only so, but they have turned that into chapter and verse; which is not so in the first Book, apparently to make it appear like the second edition, which is in chapter and verse, and not only that, but they have made use of the Preface which the Prophet Muggleton wrote for his second edition, as may be seen on reference to both Books.

This Book (1760) appears under a cloak, which I hope will be thrown off, as I have no doubt it has misled many, seeing by the Preface, they would naturally think they had got a copy of the Second Edition, which it is not.

Now I shall leave it for the Reader to consider and judge for himself, and subscribe myself

Your's truly,

JOSEPH FROST.

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London, January, 1853.*

P.S.—The following is not written in the Divine Looking-Glass, sent to the British Museum, but to the Church generally, thinking it would be well for the believers of the Prophet Muggleton, or The True Muggletonians, to look and see if the same spirit is not striving to divide the Church, as there appeared to be at the time when The Acts of the Witnesses was printed.

I have heard some of the old Believers say that there was a party of that sort, as is spoken of in the Acts, which called themselves Reeveonians, which

I have no doubt was the party which re-printed that Divine Looking-Glass in 1760. And the same spirit appears to be now in the Church, endeavouring to establish that Book for the true Muggletonians' Church Book, which cannot be allowed by any who take Muggleton for their guide. Neither can we possibly divide the Prophets, because the Prophet Muggleton says that John Reeve wrote all his points of Doctrine by an Infallible Spirit, which points of Doctrine is retained in his Revised Edition; and what the Prophet Muggleton has done, it appears, must be taken on his bare word, or perish ; besides, there would appear a deal of nonsense in any calling themselves Muggletonians, and not to follow the Prophet Muggleton throughout.

And if those Acts which he gave to his true Friends, to publish after his death, be true, which I have no doubt of, they must stand unalterable for ever amongst his true Friends, and will be received as a Legacy, and his Last Will, by the Faithful, who believe that the Commission wholly rested an him after John Reeve's decease.

A Quotation from the Acts, see Epistle Dedicatory, page 6, words as follow:

"Again, we see by this Book of the Acts, that these two Prophets were jointly chosen of God, and made equal in Power and Authority; for the Prophet Reeve' saith, that his fellow Witness had as great power as he had himself; and further saith, that he was The Lord's Last High Priest. If this be granted, then it must follow that there can be no salvation to such as shall reject him or his Writings. Although they pretend to own John Reeve, "Obedience to the Prophet is better than sacrifice." So I conclude,

Yours in the true Faith of REEVE AND MUGGLETON,

JOSEPH FROST.

31st January, 1853.

[Please to place this in your Divine Looking Glass.]