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The Editor of The Atlantic Monthly,-  
8 Arlington Street,  
Boston, Mass.

Dear sir ;

In 1913 my interest was aroused in the letter sent in 1831 to the poet Goethe by fifteen English men of letters. The problem that the letter raised proved very interesting. The outcome of the quest for an answer to the problem is set forth in the enclosed article.

Two recent articles in the Atlantic ,-- one by Hilaire Belloc, the other by Dean Inge-- prompted me to send it to the Atlantic. Of course it is presuming for a person, entirely unknown, to send an article which he has the nerve to speak of in the same paragraph with such persons as those above mentioned. Yet here it is. If my nerve prompts you to read the article, I hope that the main point of the article will commend it to you sufficiently. I would like to see just the reaction that would come from such an article published at the present time.

Yours truly,