

has sustained them till brighter days have dawned. The massive loans that have been raised have been derived largely from this source. Jewish capital has also largely helped on all the grand undertakings which are the pride of the age in which we live. There is not a nation in Europe that is not more or less indebted to Jewish capitalists. And shall all these important services go unrequited, and be ungratefully ignored?

But the Christian world is under a still greater obligation to the Jews than even that of pecuniary and material aid. Whatever may be the diversities existing in the Universal Church, Christians of every name and creed are bound in one common debt to the Jews for the possession of those sacred records on which their "most holy faith" is founded. It was to Jewish hands that the Inspired Oracles were committed, and from Jewish hands the Christian Church has received them.

The Scriptures are not only the final authority in spiritual matters to millions of devout people, but they are also the very foundation of modern civilization. The world is vastly more indebted to the Bible than it is willing to own. The ancient world, too, owed much of its civilization to the influence of the Old Testament Scriptures. The philosophers of Greece and Rome derived their most admirable maxims from the Sacred Writings. Some of the most sublime passages in classical literature were derived from the Hebrew