My reasons for publishing this pamphlet are:

1st. The columns of the Christian Guardian were closed to me, after there had been admitted to its columns a vile and scurrilous letter from the pen of the Rev. E. R. Young, which, instead of being, as it purported to be, a defence of his book, which I had criticised, was a personal attack on myself and calumniated others.

2nd. To vindicate the honor of our missionaries, and to show that there are some at any rate who will not submit to the position of even appearing to countenance or support fraudulent pretensions.

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