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submit what I have ever written, not only as regards its truth, but as to its prudence, its suitableness, and its expedience. I think I have not pursued any end of my own in anything that I have published, but I know well, that in matters not of faith, I may have spoken when I ought to have been silent.

And now, my dear Duke, I release you from this long discussion, and in concluding, beg you to accept the best Christmas wishes and prayers for your present and future, from

Your affectionate Friend and Servant,

JOHN HENRY NEWMAN.

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