5 Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to strangers:

6 Which have borne witness of thy charity before the church: whom if thou bring forward on their journey after a godly sort, thou shalt do

7 well: Because that for his name's sake they

· 8 went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles. We therefore ought to receive such, that we might be fellow-helpers to the truth.

9 I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, who loveth to have the preeminence among them,

10 receiveth us not. Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would,

11 and casteth them out of the church. Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he

12 that doeth evil hath not seen God. Demetrius hath good report of all men, and of the truth itself; yea, and we also bear record; and ye know that our record is true.

13 I had many things to write, but I will not with

14 ink and pen write unto thee: But I trust I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak face to face. Peace be to thee. Our friends salute thee. Greet the friends by name.

REMARKS.

The house of the elect lady was the sanctuary of the truth, and had to keep outside all that was not