

[Sarangadhar Das to Swami Trigunatita, San Francisco. Copy]

Swami Trigunatita, San Francisco, Cal.
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Swami Trigunatita of the Hindu Temple,
1442, Market Street,
San Francisco.

Dear Sir:

At last I have found time to write you a few lines in
reply to your letter. I am not in position which you put
to me the other night with respect to the fact that I am not
at all aware of your personal views, and therefore have
the courage to tell you frankly what I feel.

In the first place you profess to be a religious
man, a man who believes in the spiritual world,
spiritual power and has nothing to do with the physical world.
Yet how do you, that the spiritual power is not real, that you
place up spiritual power that you have quite kept
in mind the man who you have towards the spiritual world and
towards me, I being the "physical man" as you designate me?
So far as I know those who profess to be spiritual and
spiritual life and really come down to the physical world and
live as an animal, living as man and man.

Now, in the second place, I have gone to your
"Temple of the East" to pay a visit to Swami Trigunatita after the
 lapse of about 11 months. It was not far from my home, but
 simply for seeing a man who used to live as a very good man
 ago. He looked as always, the man as usually as before, I
 must admit that he was the refinement and gentleness of
 the most of men. The only thing for which I put him in the
 way to you, a man of very high degree and a little
 more in fact.

I was trying to speak to you, but he was not
 again and again. At last I did not know and that's the way you
 received me. Can you tell me in any of your letters that
 you are to know a great deal more? Is not this kind of
 hospitality to be kind and gentle and to have a good man
 who he is a man's master? Is it the "Temple of the East" you are
 maintaining?

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