1 \^THE elder to the \^wellbeloved \^Gaius, whom I \^love in ... \^truth.
2 \^Beloved, I **pray concerning** all things that thou mayest \^prosper and \^be in health, even as thy \^soul prospereth.
3 For I \^rejoiced greatly, when ... brethren came and \^testified of thy \^truth, even as thou walkest in ... \^truth.
4 I have not greater \^joy than these things, that I may hear of mine own \^children walking in \^the truth.
5 \^Beloved, thou doest as a faithful deed whatsoever thou \^worketh that to the brethren, and that to strangers;
6 Which bare witness of thy \^love in the sight of the \^church: whom having sent forward worthily of God, thou shalt do well:
7 **For on behalf of The name** they went forth, receiving nothing of the \^Gentiles.
8 We therefore ought to receive such, in order that we may become fellowhelpers to the \^truth.
9 I \^wrote something to the \^church: but \^Diotrephes, \^who loveth to be first of them, receiveth us not.

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1 **The elder.** See 2 John 1.
2 **unto** = to.
3 **wellbeloved.** Ap. 135. III. Same as "beloved", v. 2, &c.
4 **Gaius.** It is impossible to say whether this was the same as any one of the others of the same name mentioned Acts 19. 29; 20. 4. Rom. 16. 23.
6 **in.** Ap. 104. viii. **the.** Om. vii.
7 **prosper** = prosper. Gr. euodoumai. See Rom. 1. 10.
8 **be in health.** Gr. hugiaino. See Luke 5. 31.
9 **soul.** Ap. 110. v. 1. As Gaius had a sound mind, John desires for him a sound body also.
10 **rejoiced greatly.** See 2 John 4. **the.** Omit.
11 **testified.** Gr. martureo. See p. 1511.
12 **the, &c.** Lit. thy truth.
14 **joy.** See 1 John 1. 4.
15 **than, &c.** Lit. than these things, that (Gr. hina) I may hear of.
16 **my = mine own.**
17 **children.** Ap. 108. i.
18 **walk = walking.**
19 **truth = the truth.**
20 **faithfully = as a faithful (deed).** Ap. 150. III.

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**doest** = workest. **to.** Ap. 104. vi.
**to.** The texts read "that to". The brethren referred to were strangers. Cp. Heb. 13. 2.
**6 have borne witness** = bare witness. Same as "testify", v. 3.
**after a godly sort** = worthy of God (Ap. 98. 1. i. 1).
**7 Because that** = For.
**taking** = receiving. **for, &c.** = on behalf of (Ap. 104. xvii. 1) His name. **His.** The texts read "the".
**8 that** = in order that. **Gr. hina.**
**might = may.** **of.** Ap. 104. iv.
**be = become.**
**fellowhelpers.** Gr. sunergos. See 1 Cor. 3. 9.
**9 wrote** = wrote something, as the texts. **philoproteuo, love to be first.**
10 **On account of this**, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content upon these things, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and hindereth the willing ones, and casteth them out of the church. 

11 Beloved, follow not that which is depraved, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God. 

12 Demetrius is borne witness to by all men, and by the truth itself: yea, and we also testify; and thou knowest that our testimony is true. 

13 I had many things to write, but I desire not by means of ink and pen write to thee: 

14 But I hope to see thee shortly, and we shall speak face to face. Peace be to thee. Our friends salute thee. Salute the friends by name.