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A correspondent from Jerusalem asks if he may enter into the discussion of the meaning of Nirvana. (See BLACKFRIARS, May, 1923). He does not wish his letter to be published. We are therefore not clear as to how he wishes to enter into the discussion.

It seems that he has misunderstood the purport of Mr. Eric Gill's letter to the May number of BLACKFRIARS. Mr. Gill was not trying to explain the nature of Buddhism as it is in fact, but simply calling attention to the fact that Mr. G. K. Chesterton seemed (to Mr. Gill) to have misunderstood what Mr. H. G. Wells said it was. Neither Mr. Chesterton nor Mr. Gill is a Buddhist and neither of them has professed in these pages to know anything more about it than what Mr. Wells said. Mr. Chesterton made sport of Mr. Wells and Mr. Gill said that on the strength of Mr. Wells's words it was unjustifiable. That is all.

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