

Charles Robert Anon

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I, Charles Robert Anon, *being*, animal, mammal, tetrapod, primate, placentar, ape, catarrhynce, (...)man; eighteen years of age, not married (except at odd moments), megalomaniac, with touches of dipsomania, dégénéré superior, poet, with pretensions to written humour, citizen of the world, idealistic philosopher, etc. etc. (to spare the reader further pains).

In the name of TRUTH, SCIENCE and PHILOSOPHIA, not with bell, book and candle, but with pen, ink and paper,

Pass sentence of excommunication on all priests and all sectarians of all religions in the world.

Excommunicabo vos.

Be damned to you all.

Ainsi-soit-il.

Reason, Truth, Virtue per C.R.A.

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