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- Joseph in Egypt (1938), 2 volumes
- The Beloved Returns (1940)
- The Transposed Heads (1941)
- Joseph the Provider (1944)

Shorter Fictions

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Miscellaneous Works

- Three Essays: Frederick and the Great Coalition; Goethe and Tolstoi; An Experience in the Occult (1929)
- An Exchange of Letters (1937)
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