

Bank House
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D.G. Mowatt Esq,
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My Dear Mowatt,

I was very glad to get your pleasant letter, which reminded me of the good times we had together in Glasgow. I am sorry you too have been ill, but have fraternal feelings on the subject, as you may well imagine. I am still very weak and easily tired but nevertheless I have to work at my new story, "The Grey Man" very hard, so that keeps my thoughts off the ailments. The "Graphic" has been dunning me to send in my story just as if I had not been ill at all, so that knocks my golfing plans on the head; but I hope to be able to go to Italy about the middle of next month. There is no hope, therefore, of any golf until the summer or autumn, for which I can assure you I am most heartily sorry.

I am glad you like the "Men of the Moss Hags". I finished it last December. I think somehow it will be strong.

With regard to the Old Lady at Strathaven I should very much like to have a look at the book. It would be of great service to me in my story of Lochinvar which succeeds the "Grey Man". With every kind regard to that good fellow Dan Mowatt

ever Faithfully yours,

S.R. Crockett