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Trafalgar Square  
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My Dear Thin,

I have been very ill with influenza for a fortnight but, thank God, I am getting right now - my good wife was wired for and came and has looked after me splendidly. I am coming back on Tuesday or so to write the "Grey Man" for the Graphic, and then I am going abroad to write a story for the Cornhill. My new book Bog Myrtle and Peat is nearly ready. It is a beautiful book (printed by Constable) and should, I think, do well. It is more varied than any.

I am hoping that you will have got the two sets of Nicoll for me and the Blackwood. I am looking forward to them much. A private word, sell all your Stickit Ministers of the current edition and don't order any more. There is 6/- edition with all the de luxe illustrations (except the plate) ready which is to supersede the ordinary.

Will you remember my wife and myself to the good lady at number 15. Kind regards to George and yourself.

Ever your old friend

S.R. Crockett

p.s. Could you get me a copy of Birrel's Diary about (1590 – 1600). I don't know whether it is a club book or not. I want it for the "Grey Man".