

Bank House  
Penicuik  
24 December 1894  
James Hay Thin Esq.

My Dear Thin,

Many thanks for your kind note about Drummond. It will be of great assistance to me when I get it. I am fast beginning to think out the "Grey Man". In a fortnight I hope to be into the [?] of it. I am glad you are getting a few days holidays. It is, I am sorry to see, all up with poor Stevenson from the paper this morning. Please don't read the "Moss Hags" until you get it in a book form. Hoping to see you before very long.

Ever truly yours

S.R. Crockett

Dear Chap, I have a book for you here but you must come and fetch it - some Saturday afternoon anyway and stop till Monday if you and Mrs Thin can bide so long from the bairns. What a talk we shall have!