

Grand Hotel Bellagio.  
(Italy)

[possibly 24th May 1895]

Dear Unwin,

I have answered and thanked that Dublin man. Perhaps you will mark on your copy, I have none out here. I sent you a carefully corrected copy (Confound those Italian feus) of the Raiders and Mr Laurie wrote that it would take some time to get pulls etc. I never heard any more and there's been 4 or 5 editions since then.

With regard to Joseph do as you like. I am quite willing to go halvers - though I have learned a lesson never to bother with illustrations. I paid Burn Murdoch £21 pounds MacGeorge £10, Young £10, Cook £20 (expenses) and Moucey writes for £10 which I am to pay him in September. I can show you their infernal receipts. I told Pennell I was not making and he said 'dog doesn't eat dog don't you pay me anything!'

But if you like to pay him something to satisfy him why go ahead and I'll stand half of it. You gave me £21 of the rest and will reap the benefit in the Illustrated edition, so go ahead. £20 should be ample. I don't think I shall have to shell out any more. It is a blaggardly shame (and my own fault) that I have to pay so much.

Send no more letters from folk who correct commas. I saw the Antonym going well in Milan. You are a goer-ahead and no mistake.

ever yours

SRC.