

Savoy Hotel.
Jan 30th 1899

Dear Major Pond,

I feel your kindness very much in making me such a splendid offer. But I have still such a pressure of work and so much lying ahead of me to do that I must not think of it this year. Depend upon it, however, as soon as I do decide to come across the Atlantic Wave I will let you hear six good months before then you can fly the spread eagle with the St Andrews cross in his beak all you want to! Many thanks for your kind remembrance of me at Christmas. I have been rather under the weather as to health lately and must take a complete rest as soon as I can get it
with regards
yours faithfully.
SR Crockett.