

Letter from A.P. Watt to James Clarke
Hastings House

14 March 1901

To James Clarke

Dear Sirs

Just a line to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the second and to say I have now advised Mr Crockett and the American publishers of the news story you have commissioned him to write that you are going to begin for the serial publication in this country. In the first week of May, 1902 instead of during the month of January 1902 as provided in the agreement between you and Mr Crockett, dated the 14th of April 1899.

I am also advising Mr Crockett that the dates for the delivery of the copy are to be deferred accordingly.

Under these circumstances, the first half of the manuscript will not be delivered to you until the 1st of November this year and the second half until the 31st of January next year.

I am, dear sirs

your sincerely

APW

[delivery completed. March 12. 02.]