D

VILLA AIMÉE,
NICE.

March 2nd 183

Dear Sir

Your note followed me here where I am residing at present. To write a paper on the history of Feminism requires much fuller and more exact information than I possess. I probably know more on the subject than the readers of the "Contemporary," but

certainly for less than would justify me in taking such a task out of the hands of more competent persons.

If you are anxious for a paper on the subject there is a professional man connected with the new University in Ireland, and who has written a very able book, whom I would suggest for the purpose as the fittest man I know. I do not name him be-cause I have not had time

to consult him, but if you desire it I will propose the subject to him in your behalf. In that case you should give him some idea of the available space, and any other information usual in such cases.

Believe me dear Sir

Very faithfully yours

J. Swan Duff

Percy William Thursby Esqre.

Villa Cornelia.
Cimiez, Nice.
Nov 1
1883

Sir

I would be very wide disposed to write on Australian Federation, if I had leisure. I was chairman of the first select committee appointed on the subject by any Australian parliament, and of the last Royal Commission. But I am very busy with studies for a book, which I intend, longer than was discreet, to write an article commenced on the. Dec number of the Nineteenth Century and to be finished in January.

I cannot the Reports and other documents connected with the ~~Employers~~ Federation to be collected in a little volume, a copy of which I will lend you if any competent person undertakes to write upon the question.

I have never seen Professor Seeley's 'Expansion of England', nor any review of it that I remember.

Believe me

Dear Sir

Yours

C. Gavan Duffy

D

Conway Hall
May 4th

1886

My dear Sir

Tell me whether you approve of this project? I am thinking of writing an article for your June number entitled "In Committee" on the Irish Government Bill, which had not reached me — or been issued indeed — when I wrote the last article.

It would probably be 20 pages long, and incidentally deal with the objections raised by opponents of the measure, as well as suggest necessary amendments.

But there is the risk that the bill will not be read a second time — which at this distance I am only guess unpopularly — and in that case the article would be worthless and ought not to be published — for of course the bill would not go into Committee.

Suppose you approve, may I ask me the latest date it would reach you to send me proofs for revision. I never before published an article which I had not revised, and I see many things which I would have improved in the last article. In case I write another proofs are indispensable to me.

Why did you strike out the name of the place where it was written? It was intended to account for any event of the latest facts which might appear in the article. I read 'Carney Alpes Meralomes' to artists in the 'Nineteenth Century' and 'National Review' for the same purpose.

Yours truly

Edward Dutty

You have not put your address to your note, so that I send this to your publisher.

D

Amherst Mass
May 12 1886

My dear Sir

I have received the charge — many thanks.

As respects a second article it will be too late to begin one when I have seen the debate on the second reading. I could not get proofs to revise; and though the text was very correctly printed from copy, it wanted the final touches without which I am always dissatisfied with my work.

I intend to write, and publish at some timely moment when it has a chance of being listened to — a plan of our Irish constitution on Mr Gladstone's general lines, which would probably content the Minority in Ireland. What would in any case ensure them fair play. Mr Sir Henry frightens them.

If the Bills are read a second time and withdrawn for reconsideration, the whole might appear in July. There is no use in mooting details till the House of Commons have said aye or no

to the general principle. I have thought the subject out carefully, and only await the right moment.

My fingers tingle to crush the Goschen's shallow and impudent plausibilities, but I do not wish to lose the chance of being listened to on a precipitate engagement on the melée.

Yours faithfully

Gavan Duffy

D

St Martin Lantosque
Alpes Maritimes
14th July 1886

My dear Sir,

I am busy on the article, but I wish to wait for the latest news. I will despatch it to you on Monday the 19th, by which it ought to reach you on Wednesday evening the 21st or Thursday morning the 22nd.

As I cannot hope to see proofs, I will thank you to have it read as carefully as the last was, and I particularly

wish the printer to send me proofs the moment it is revised that I might telegraph any correction in case of necessity. I mean to keep it as close to ten pages as I can, but I am not able to estimate it very closely yet, while it is in process of being written

Very Faithfully yours

C. Gaven Duffy

Villa Marguerite
Nice
April 6th
1892

Dear Mr Bunting

Do not trouble yourself about the republication of the Carlyle papers. I have accepted a proposal of Sampson Low & Co to have the publication for three years which will give the little volume an unusually good chance of making its way in America and Australia

What you say of the Labor vote in the House of Commons is one of many illustrations of the fact that our leaders know nothing of the warnings which greater Britain supplies

One man one vote has been before the democratic parliament of Victoria for more than an entire generation without becoming law. Within the

last few months it has been rejected by the Legislative Assembly in New South Wales, and Legislative ~~Assembly~~ Councils in Victoria

Smashing the House of Lords seems the easiest task to some deluded Radicals, but in Australia where there is manhood suffrage and the Upper House has no heriditary rank wealth or prestige, thirty years has been spent without success in trying to bring it to submission

Very faithfully yours

[illegible]

Villa Marguerite
Nice
Jan 31st 1892

Dear Mr Bunting

One of my sons from Australia has just arrived on a short visit, and as I shall be much engaged for a time it would be well to send as soon as possible the revise of Part III, and the proof of Part IV. of the Carlyle papers that I may finish the work satisfactorily.

I shall not discuss your note on the cash question; it was humiliating enough to discuss it once. But the necessary consequences of it need trouble neither of us. You have no lack of contributors, and will never miss one. And for my part I will feel it a relief to escape from so troublesome and profitless a task as writing for a monthly review has proved.

You do not I think take cordially to the

alternative I proposed to supplement inadequate payment, and therefore we will say no more about it. Very faithfully yours

Glover Dalby

Villa Marguerite
Nice
Jan 1892

Dear Mr Bunting

If one sends a brief to a barrister with an inadequate fee, the barrister returns it; if we consult a London physician and tender him less than the fee he expects he is careful to inform us of our mistake. Is there any good reason why a man of letters should not follow these examples? I have never written for money, and in truth never gave a thought to the scale of payment for review articles, till you volunteered offer on the receipt of the first of the Carlyle papers to "increase the honorarium" turned my attention to the subject. I have several times written the article in the Contemporary Review which the critics pronounced to be the best in

the number, and I find that I have been paid at the noble rate of less than a penny a line. It was certainly not wonderful that you should propose to increase the honorarium. But by your cheque I find you have not increased it; on the contrary you have diminished it, by paying for 33 pages as if they were 30. Why so? Is a paper ~~[illegible]~~ studded with remarkable letters by Carlyle, and containing such a report of his conversation as has not before appeared less valuable than my ordinary lucubrations? Is the article different from what you supposed it to be when you made your proposition? The critical press have been emphatic in their reception of it. The chief of them the Spectator says it is not only the best paper of the number, but the best in any of the reviews for January; that it contains the veritable language of Carlyle, and will be a permanent addition to English literature. Might I be allow a public company who own a review to pay me for this article, at the rate paid to the men who furnished dreadful accidents to the penny press. A couple of weeks ago a well known contributor to the Nineteenth Century, who visited me here told me he was paid two guineas a page for his articles and more than once had received £50. for a paper little over twenty pages.

I desire to keep faith with you and my readers, and I therefore send you the concluding paper of the Carlyle series (that it may be put into type as soon as practicable) without waiting the decision of this cash question. Nor shall I debate it any more, for it is not of the slightest practical importance to me, but it must get settled now once for all in whatever way you ~~think~~ proper.

It may of course be that the profits of the Review do not admit of adequate payment of contributors. In that case there are other compensations you can make me which I prefer to money. I am far from London and know

few publishers; you are in London and know, or can know any you please. I wish to bring out the Carlyle papers in a handsome little volume when they are complete, and would be glad to sell an edition of them at a fair price to a respectable publisher with all rights for two or three years. I would not sell the copyright as I believe it will be a permanent book as a true picture of Carlyle in his dressing gown and slippers. This will put you to some trouble, but you do not know I think, what inordinate trouble these papers cost me. The letters had to be copied by an amanuensis, and a young Russian was the only man I could get to do it in Nice; they had to be revised and re-revised several times to guard against his necessary errors, a task which with my impaired sight could only be repaid by a great and acknowledged success.

I am going to London in June to arrange for a People's Edition of my historical books, and I want a page of the Contemporary Review's

Dudley

Jan 2 1892

advertisements sheet from time to advertise them

How many times in the year can you give me a page in lieu of an increased honorarium?

The revision of the III paper, and the MS. of the fourth and last go to you by this post in a registered parcel

Very faithfully yours

Swan Reddy

Villa Marguerite
Sunday.

1891

Dear Mr Bunting

I am greatly disturbed and disappointed by your note this morning proposing to cut off the article on Carlyle before the ~~Correspondence~~ Conversations begins. It will entirely destroy the effect of it. I had just prepared part II. with immense trouble for my eyes are again very weak, and revised part I., which I understood was not to appear till January, sending them to you today. I wired at once as you asked me to do my objection to the

proposed alteration and if it has been made it will destroy my interest in the series they cost me a great deal of trouble were calculated I think to make a remarkable impression and I took more pains with them than any thing is worth at my time of life.

I do not at all understand why you altered the arrangement suggested for such sufficient reasons by yourself, and to which I assented of only beginning the series with the New Year

Very faithfully yours

C Gavan Duffy

Villa Marguerite
Nice
Nov 13th
1891

Dear Mr Bunting

It will perhaps be better for the reasons you state to begin the Carlyle papers in January. I never sent you anything of which I had such a strong conviction that it would be well received by a wide public.

I will send you tomorrow a revise of the payment of members article. I am not at all delighted with the coajutors you propose to give me. If you had named them originally I fear I would not have been one of the company. Could you not get Mr Bryce to write on the subject; and as the other side ought to be heard ~~on the subject~~ Mr Dicey? The

question is not at all pressing as nothing can be done in the next session of parliament and it would be better to have a good batch even in February, than a middling one in December. The question ought to be treated chiefly by men who have no personal but only a public interest in it. Festina lente

Very faithfully yours

G Duffy

Villa Marguerite
Nice
Nov 9th

1891

Dear Mr Bunting

I have sent to the printer a revise of the Carlyle paper with some additional letters which had been accidentally omitted from their right place.

Pray look over the article and consider whether you ought not to send to the literary journals some announcement of the rich Carlyle materials which the Series will contain. E pede Herculem

I have received the proof of the Payment of Members article, but you have not sent me proofs of

the other articles on the subject which would enable me to understand your design. Mine was intended to be one of a batch, and to appear last or among the last in the batch. This is the only way in which I can consent to its appearing. Published by itself it would be ridiculous as it only touches one corner of the question. I ~~had~~ retain the proof till I hear further

Very faithfully yours

Clement Duffy

Villa Marguerite
Nice
October 19th

1891

Dear Mr Bunting

I spent my holidays in the mountains preparing for publication "Conversations And Correspondence With Thomas Carlyle" of which I told you last year. I travelled with him for six weeks in Ireland in 1849. In his account of that excursion (My Irish Journey Sampson Low & Co) he repeatedly describes how I "made him talk" In fact he talked of anything I suggested and I suggested such men books and events as were of most interest to me.

It will make not or perhaps three articles for as the correspondence was copied by one hand and the conversations by another

I cannot measure the materials accurately, but I do not think I have published anything in the Contemporary so likely to excite public interest. There are nearly a hundred letters out of which I have made judicious selections covering a wide variety of subjects. I would prefer to publish when parliament is not sitting, and could send the first papers so as to reach the printer's hands by the 1st November.

The note you forwarded to Mr Schnadhorst seems to have produced some effect. Sir William Harcourt has since propounded at Glasgow the identical policy I suggested, but the effect will be seriously diminished by disclosing it beforehand.

Very faithfully yours

Lyon Playfair

Nice
Wednesday evening

1891

Dear Mr. Bunting.

As I was finishing my article a telegram arrived to the New York Herald Office here stating that the negotiations with Mr. Parnell had in the end entirely failed. If this be so my article will be of no use. It was written on the supposition that they had substantially succeeded and it does not admit of being altered to harmonize with the new circumstances.

as it is possible the telegram may be erroneous. I send a little more of it ready for the press. There are about 5 or 6 M. S pages to be revised and copied in order to complete it. Tomorrow if the negotiations have succeeded, I will send these pages to you otherwise it would be of course useless

very faithfully yours

L. Oliphant

Villa Marguerite
Dec 10th

1890

Dear Mr Bunting

The time has not come when I could write with any advantage on the Irish conflict, because though I am disgusted with Parnell and all his works, I am dissatisfied with Mr Gladstone. He has been as loud about the butchery at Mitchelstown as upon the atrocities in Bulgaria, but he proposes to leave the system which produced it in full force. While his Irish parliament was harangueing in Dublin, some future Balfour, or indeed Balfour himself, might order new Mitchelstowns or new Tipperaries

Suppose after exposing the Bulgarian atrocities, he had proposed to leave the Turks in full control of that state, what would you have thought of the wisdom and justice of such policy? and what would Bulgarians have thought?

And with the Land Question it is rather worse. If he will not give the Irish Parliament the power of dealing with the question, and cannot settle it himself because Mr Labouchere (who seems to be the real leader of the Liberal Party) will not allow him, why was not the Land Purchase Bill of the present government accepted and the difficulty got out of the way?

Nothing would give me more satisfaction than to exhibit Parnell as he really is to the Irish people, if I knew what was to succeed his downfall. Had Mr Gladstone given a prompt and frank answer to the questions sent him by the Irish Party, had he said that after Mitchelstown and Tipperary it was impossible to refuse the control of the police to the Irish Parliament, and that as respects the Land Question if the Imperial parliament did not settle it beforehand it must be left to the Irish parliament — for to leave it to an Imperial parliament in which the Irish members were reduced to thirty was what he could not venture to propose — had he said this, I would have thrown myself immediately into the fray.

Certainly the question may be as you say not the form of Home Rule, but whether there is to be any Home Rule at present; but though it would be a stunning blow to me to go down to my grave without seeing Home Rule accomplished, I would rather do so, and bequeath the question to a future generation, than accept the burlesque of it foreshadowed in the Hawarden conversation.

That conversation rests you will say on Mr Parnell's authority. Very true, and I would be quite ready to disbelieve it if we were told what was said, but when the vital interest of my native country is at stake I cannot be content with mysteries and conundrums.

Perhaps before another month we will have light in the darkness, and then I will willingly write.

A Catholic clergyman who was a close friend of Mr Justice Keogh requests me to ask your permission that he should copy from the Contemporary Review with due acknowledgment into a little periodical which he edits, the last paper the judge wrote. I hope you will see no objection

Very faithfully yours

Gavan Duffy

If Mr Gladstone not gives Home Rulers a definite measure to struggle for the next elections vote be seriously compromised.

Nice
Saturday Evening

1890

Dear Mr Bunting

Up to this time the latest news here about the Irish conflict telegraphed is that the deputation to Gladstone produced no result. There will be no telegrams posted tomorrow and as the postmen get a holiday on ~~Saturday~~ Sunday evening the Times of Saturday will not be delivered until Monday morning.

If anything were settled either way I would begin to write immediately but while nothing is settled it is impossible. What I write may be totally stale and

inapplicable by the time the C R is published and this would render us both ridiculous

Unless a result be arrived at in London today which I would receive on Monday I must give up the idea of writing at present. It is only someone on the spot with the latest information in hand who can write usefully on a current and fluctuating question. I think you will agree with me in this.

Very faithfully yours

C S Duffy

Villa Marguerite
Dec 15th
1890

Dear Mr. Bunting

I can think of nothing else but the Irish difficulty, and I am not indisposed to write a short article upon it say of a dozen pages. Pray tell me the latest day on which the M.S. would be in time to reach you with the understanding that I am to get a proof for revision without which I will never again publish anything.

And pray remember if I am to undertake this work that what I

write will not necessarily be your opinions but mine. I dare say we are at one in thinking that Parnell has rendered himself impossible as a public man ~~not~~ only by the Divorce Court business but by his shameful violation of confidence respecting the Hawarden Conference. But I am equally clear that his revelation has rendered it necessary for Mr Gladstone to specify his ~~scheme~~ scheme of Home Rule. He says himself that the plan which Parnell attributes to him would be shameful treachery to Ireland and I quite agree with him. But to go on any longer in the dark would be to ruin the Irish cause. I can only begin to write when the parliamentary party come to some decision which I am eagerly waiting. Mine will be the Irish view of the question, it may be right of you to get some person to write a strong article giving the Gladstonian view and compile them together.

Very faithfully yours

T. Sexton

Villa Marguerite
Nice
Feb 9th
1890

My dear Mr Bunting

I have received your note and cheque. As respects the articles on Responsible Government in Australia – yes there must be at least two perhaps three, my sight is the only difficulty. But I have employed a man to read me the State Papers minutes of Cabinet, and other documents which it is necessary to consult, and I will try how far this tedious and wearisome method will enable me to do the business

If you have got any of Mr A Todd's books on Parliamentary practice and government in colonies pray send them to me. They must

have been sent you for review.

I intend to bring these articles out in a volume after some time. You have been always perfectly frank and generous as to my using articles after they have appeared in the Review but I wish for a general understanding that I shall be always at liberty to use them when I see occasion. They are written for public ends and are produced with such difficulty in my present condition that the payment for them is scarcely worth consideration

I am glad to see the journals consider your last number a good one. I was much struck with Mr Mills article.

Kindest regards to Mrs Bunting

Very faithfully yours

Isaac Pitt

Villa Marguerite
Nice
April 3rd

1890

Dear Mr Bunting

The article is too long and I will cut it down to twenty five pages. But it is impossible to avoid having a <u>second</u> part on the same subject. First because the story of how Victoria got responsible government must be told, as it is there mainly I propose to describe the working of it, and secondly because there are some important disclosures which I get from unpublished Cabinet papers of Mr Childers who was a minister in Melbourne before he became a minister in London.

I can now survey the whole field better

than I could last month, and I perceive that it will require five articles instead of three

How colonies get responsible government

Two articles.

How they used responsible government

Two articles

What lessons these transactions teach men at home. One article.

If these be too many for the Review, pray say so without the least hesitation and we will drop the subject, and cancel the article in type.

I will not feel annoyed but relieved from a heavy burthen if the task be put off to some other period, but you may be assured the question can never be dealt with more briefly; Mr Bagehot's articles on a similar subject ran through a year I think in the Fortnightly Review.

If you determine to go on, this is what I propose to do. I will ask you to postpone the first article from May to June, and I will then undertake to furnish one every second month till the series be completed. To wit the first in June, the second in August, the third in October, the fourth in December, and the last in February.

I will not trouble the printer with corrections of the present article till he is done with your May number, but remember it is not to be published till June.

I am going to Wiesbaden this day month

to consult an oculist there, but I will take the necessary books, and papers, with me and do a little work every day, until the articles are completed.

Very faithfully yours

C. Gavan Duffy

Villa Marguerite
Nice
Dec 26th

1889

Dear Mr Bunting

I have made a great effort to finish and send you the article on Federation in order that it might be printed as soon as possible, and two proofs sent to me. Pray remember two proofs. I will never again print an article which I have not had an opportunity of revising; it is too vexatious.

I know you will have some difficulties with printers at this season but please let me have the proofs as soon as practicable.

The compliments of the season to Mrs Bunting

Very faithfully yours

Goldwin Smith

Villa Marguerite
Dec 16th

1889

Dear Mr Bunting

You are greatly pressed with business, I know, so much so indeed that I do not understand you note satisfactorily.

You do not tell me whether the Carlyle correspondence is among the projects you approve of. They would run to two or three articles at least, provided the first one caught public attention in the way I hope it would.

Neither have you told me whether you are willing to consider benevolently, a paper a friend of mine who was a writer in the Nation long ago is preparing on Davis and his times, apropos of the two Davison volumes which are shortly to appear almost simultaneously. And provided you

do not like it whether you will entrust the subject to some one of your own selection.

I have assistance of course else I would be at a stand still, but I have not yet discovered any method by which M.S. and Parliamentary papers can be scrutinized by deputy without enormous labor

Very faithfully yours

C Gavan Duffy

Villa Marguerite
Nice
Dec 10th

My dear Mr Bunting

Though my eyes are very little better I am unwilling to send you further apologies, and I will try to do what you ask. I will send you an article on Imperial and Australian Federation, early next month so that I may get a proof which is indispensable to my comfort. I will follow it as speedily as I can with an article on Responsible Government with a democratic franchise, but the latter requires great research in Parliamentary Reports and state papers, to secure accuracy, and I have long shrunk from it with my impaired sight.

I have been meditating another paper, and want to ask you whether it would probably be fit for the C. R. — Conversations and Correspondence with Thomas Carlyle. You will see by his Irish Tour

that I was his travelling companion, and I was intimate with him for upwards of thirty years. He talked cheerfully on any subject I suggested, and with his knowledge and consent I made notes of his dicta. They cover every man, and every subject, of any importance that interested me, and would be likely to interest the world. I have besides about fifty letters of his which are as ~~interesting~~ pleasant reading as Thackeray's letters recently published. It may be that such an article would suit one of the Anglo American magazines better than the C. R.

And now I want you to do something for me. I sent to Kegan Paul last week, the M. S. of a memoir of Thomas Davis and I have got a collection of his Essays published in the Camelot series which will appear next month.

He is the fountain head of Irish nationality as it has been preached, and practised, in recent years, and he was my dearest friend in the world.

A literary friend of mine is writing a paper on Davis and his days, which will have more or less

relation to these two books. I want you to consider this paper for the C. R.; if it is intended to publish it speedily, and if it is not, to put the same business into the hands of some person selected by yourself who will make Thomas Davis known to English readers.

As you ask about my health, I may tell you that it is very satisfactory except for the state of my eyes, and the winter here is so comparatively mild that I can bear it very well.

Kindest regards to Mrs Bunting

Very faithfully yours

C S Duffy

Villa Marguerite
Nice
October 9th
1889

Dear Mr Bunting

The ship by which my daughters arrived from Australia was several days late, and it is only today I have got settled in my house.

I am most anxious to write the article on Australian Democracy but there are two impediments which prevent my doing it at the moment. In the first place my eyes are still suffering which would render it very difficult to examine papers and authorities.

and in the second I am bringing out in January a memoir of Thomas Davis, the best man, and the honestest politician I have ever known. But if I keep you waiting I will endeavour to make amends by making the article as good as I can. The minute I am able I will put the article in hands but it will not be very soon. Very faithfully yours

C S Dudley

6th December '88.

Villa Marguérite,
Nice.

Dear Mr. Hunting,

Fortune has dealt me an unlucky stroke. During three months in the High Alps when I projected literary work enough for a long leisure, I found my left eye suddenly become weak, and the oculist whom I consulted has absolutely prohibited me from reading and writing.

For eight weeks I have not been able to read at all, and only

to write by dictation. The ma-
terials for two or three Australian
articles are under my hand, but
they need an examination of dates,
facts, and documents which no one
can make for me. The oculist
promises me a recovery but cannot
fix a period, and meantime I
am helpless, and need more philosophy
than I can command.

As soon as I am myself again
I will fulfill my promise to you.

I am glad to see you are
having excellent and telling articles;

Through I have not yet seen Mr. Frederick
Harrison's appeal I am sure I will enjoy
having it read to me.

My wife joins in kindest regards to Mr.
Bunting and you

Very faithfully yours

C S Dilke

Aug 29.

Sir C. Dilke

P.S. I shall be glad if you will obtain the publication of this criticism - a simple statement of facts.

My dear Sir Charles Dilke

I send you my structures on Imperial Union in accordance with your very kind suggestion.

I may say that Mr Bryce M.P. the late Foreign Secretary and my old tutor at Oxford some little time ago told me that it would be of material benefit to the Liberal

Party that Mr. Sexton's statements
shd not go unchallenged & of
his own accord intimated that
I shd write a reply.
You will kindly observe that I
deal only with matters of which
there can be little if any doubt.
The attitude of the Catholics
towards the Union which some
of them were deceived by the
promise of Emancipation into
supporting shd I think be treated
separately.
I am going away on Wednesday
to Cape Town but I hope to be
back again in England on the
19th Oct. My address in Dublin
is 14 Blackhall St. and
of course the earliest communi-
-cation either to me or from me

must be sent to or come from home.

I will be very grateful if you do with the MS whatever suggests itself to your kind judgment. As you are good enough to look at it I give myself the pleasure of leaving it entirely in your hands. More especially having regard to the fact that I shall be away from home

Remember me kindly to Lady Geffery &c

D

Nice. 6th June

1888

Dear Mr. Bunting,

The difficulty in the way of my writing an article about the contest with Rome is that I have written a book about it two years ago — "The League of North and South", Chapman & Hall, in which I have said everything I have to say on the subject. I would feel restrained from using the same materials or referring

to my own book. Nobody else would be under this restraint and it would be very much better that the subject was dealt with by some outsider who had the Resolutions of the Bishops and the members and that book before him. The book can be bought at Mudie's library for 4/6.

If you do not know anyone fit for this task, I will find you a writer, but the article could not be ready sooner than August, I think. I would not have any difficulty in writing myself but that my opinions against Roman interference in Irish affairs are as well known in Ireland as Sir W. Lawson's upon Teetotalism in England. It was in that quarrel in which all the bishops but two took the wrong side that I left Ireland in 1855. On the other hand the Irish members in dealing with the question recently have used rude and

disrespectful language which was neither necessary nor judicious.

There is no chance at all of my going to London till next year.

Very Faithfully yours

C Gavan Duffy

P.S. I would much rather you selected a writer yourself - he need not necessarily be an Irishman.

D

Nice 24 May

1888

Dear Mr Bunting,

The foreign colony leave Nice in May or June, and when your note reaches me I am in the middle of packing up to go to San Martin Lantosque where I propose to pass the hot months. I will not arrive there, however, till about the end of June.

I am very tired after having written a book. My library

is all packed up as we are
changing our villa in September
and I am quite out of tone
for writing an article at present.
Up in the mountains I hope
to lay the bases for one or two.
The article on Responsible
Government in Australia
needs a great deal of reading
of parliamentary papers and
memoranda, all which I
have in my library, however,
and shall take it up when I return
to Rice.

I do not think of going to London this
year though I shall see publishers about
the volume I mean to bring out in October.
The selection of a publisher is a point upon
which you could advise me, no doubt, and if you
will do so I shall be very glad. Will you also
for me have a little leaflet I'll ask you about
My compliments to Mrs Pennington

Very faithfully yours

J. C. Parkes

D

Rice. 12 Dec/87

My dear Mr. Hunting,

I would rather you kept the article over for another month, than divide it. I do not think that it would divide well. The object for which it is written would be lost I fear if the beginning and end were not brought into immediate relation.

The printer has sent me only one proof instead of two, and has not sent the MS. Mr. Editor is much to blame as I

impressed upon him so strongly the necessity of sending me two. I could have sent back the proof corrected to day, if I had got a second to keep a record of the corrections upon.

I have made plain the quotation, pages 8 & 9.

As I see you put the additions to the names of your other contri=butors, pray announce this article in the contents as by Sir C. Gavan Duffy, K.C.B.G, and perhaps on this occasion it would be judicious to add, formerly Prime Minister of Victoria.

Believe me
Very faithfully yours
C. Gavan Duffy

D

Nice Nov 28

1887

Dear Mr. Bunting,

I send you the Australian article early that after returning the proofs, I may get a revise, for it is odious to me to publish without revision. Pray direct the printer to send me two proofs, as well as the original MS. Two proofs are necessary in order to keep a record of the corrections made

and to ascertain easily from the revise that they have been carried out.

When I have leisure I will begin the article on Responsible Government with a Democratic Franchise, but I will not be in a hurry to publish it, as I want the attention of statesmen and politicians to the serious questions it raises.

I hope to be in London in May, and then or before I propose to publish the "Fair Constitution" in a pamphlet, and elicit opinion upon it.

Kindest regards to Wm Bunting

Very faithfully yours

L. Sarah Dutty

P.S.

Do please direct the printer to lose no time in sending me the two proofs.

The article goes by this post in a registered parcel.

(1)

Villa Francinelli
Nice. 25. Oct
1887

My dear Mr. Bunting,

When I told you that your correspondent borrowed my proposal of neutralising the Colonies, I intended to send you the report that you might judge for yourself. I have been very busy, and only find time to do so now. The report which was drawn by me as Chairman

of the Royal Commission was signed by the foremost men in the Colony; three of them had been, or were to be, Law Officers of the Crown, three Speakers, and three Prime Ministers. You will probably be surprised to see that it was discussed in the Times, and otherwise attracted considerable attention at the time.

I am thinking of writing an Australian article for your December number. Not the political one I spoke of on the example which Australia furnishes to England in the union of Responsible Government with Democratic franchise, but a social one to begin with. I have, naturally, many notes on Australia, and when I came home seven years ago Cassell & Co. made me a very tempting offer to write a book on Australia, but I declined because all my mind was given up to Irish affairs.

I am disposed now to whip the cream of my Australian meditations. If such an article will suit you for December or January, please tell me, and for which month you would prefer it.

Kindest regards to Mrs Bunting

Very Faithfully yours

J. Gavan Duffy

D

Shelbourne Hotel
Dublin July 22
1887

My dear Mr Bunting

I have written an article which I have been meditating for a year, on a fair and satisfactory Constitution for Ireland. I have had the advantage of consulting some representative men in Ireland, and I am in hopes that it solves, or at any rate contributes to solve, the difficulty

As I would like it to appear while I am in England, I could send it to you (as soon as the July number is out of the printers hands) to be set up.

I'd rather send the Contemporary there are two things I must ask of you – that no one should see a proof till it is revised and that you will give me a dozen copies to send to as many public men whose opinion would strengthen the chances of success.

I will make it as short as I can, but it will reach the length of articles which I published in the Nineteenth Century a couple of years ago – considerably longer than any articles in the contemporary. But I can promise that it will be much read.

If you agree, may I ask you the earliest date at which the publisher would take it up? It would be ready for the September number, immediately after the rising of Parliament.

Believe me
Very faithfully yours
Gaven Duffy

Villa Franceschi
Nice 3rd April 1887

My dear Sir,

Your telegram reached me four days late, having been addressed to St Martin Lantosque, an Alpine village where no one lives in the winter except the villagers.

Your idea is an excellent one, but to be carried out the writer needs to have Flaxman under his hand, and be near the British Museum. Unless it were written with exact knowledge of

the circumstances out of which each Act arose, it would be worthless. In fact to be as well done as it might be it needs one man to collect the facts carefully, and another to state them effectively. I hope you will find someone in London to do it; and even if it be not in time for the present controversy, it would be a permanent contribution to political history.

If I were the editor of the Contemporary Review I would spend £100 on the project; half of it on the necessary enquiries, made by an industrious fag who would gather the materials from parliamentary papers, contemporary pamphlets, and Hansard's debates; for, as far as I know, they are collected nowhere, the history of the period not yet having been written.

You know better than I do what men are fit and available for the two branches of the work, which can only be effectually done in London.

I feel so strongly on the present controversy that I am extremely sorry that I am unable to be of service in the way you desire it

Believe me my dear sir

Very faithfully yours

J Sawer Duffy

D

St Marks Lentorgue
July 23 1886

My dear Sir

There are two or three corrections which I will trouble you to make in my article.

1. On the sentence saying the Nat Party had not lost a seat, please put this note 'The article was written before the South Dispute election. Ed.'

2. On the sentence about 'Jehovah like the shepherd King before the army of ~~Saul~~ Saul.' please correct it by inserting the name of the leader on the other side. I have not a bible at hand.

3. In the paragraph describing Lord Hartington's relation to the Irish absentees, insert at some suitable point: "It is ~~was~~ contended by good Unionists that the Irish question is an agrarian ~~not~~ rather than a political one; and certainly the noble Marquess has substantial grounds for holding this opinion."

Please send me a revise as early as practicable. Believe me

Very faithfully yours

Edward Dicey

D

Binswood,
Withington,
Manchester.

My dear Miss,

Yes, it is true I wrote something for you, if I agreed even to be asked again. It is too late to write for next month, but, if agreeable, I will try something for the month after.

If you leave my suggestion to me I should be glad to have it. If not I should ~~[illegible]~~ probably

talk of an essay on his Irish question suggested by Mr Bryce's paper.

A capital subject, with free treatment, would be the recent developments of Mr Caucus — another, Debating in a Democratic Parliament.

Very truly yours,

Henry Buckley.

Percy W. Bunting Esq.

7th May 1887.

D

Examiner & Times Office,

Manchester 24th May 1887

Dear Sir,

The line I should have taken on the suggested Irish topic would have been to urge on our rulers to make laws for Ireland on the policy we have always pursued & are now pursuing as regards Education, both primary & University, a policy which is Protestant, strongly tinctured with secularism on the side of

education, prevents us from reversing. But I think perhaps better let Ireland alone. You seem to be fully equipped for the present.

The recent developments of the caucus, the rise & fortunes of that much lauded institution, want I think further ventilation for a readable article. Mr Chamberlain wants to be open to some prob but not illiberal criticism, and I should endeavour to point out the dangerous effects of too much party mechanism in political life. If you liked this I would get materials together, but I would rather not pledge myself for any particular month in advance, my time being much occupied, and my health, since a serious illness last autumn, not first-rate. But I would ~~not~~ give a little notice of this emphatically.

Very truly yours,
Henry Buckley.

Percy W. Bunting Esq.

Examiner & Times Office,

Manchester 12 Feb. 1888

My dear Sir,

You will be surprised to hear from me again so soon, but the truth is that I have set seriously to work on Froude and see my way to complete it in time to let you have it in London by the morning post of ~~[illegible]~~ Monday the 20th.

This is a short month,

but perhaps Mch. date will do. You may entirely rely upon it.

Very truly yours,

Hen. Buckley.

Percy W. Bunting Esq.

BINSWOOD,
~~WITHINGTON~~, Didsbury,
MANCHESTER. Aug. 16. 1889

Dear Mr Bunting,

Thanks for the cheque, a receipt for which is on the other side. I also thank you for your thanks, sincerely trusting that they convey approval.

Let me just say that I am now free from the restrictions of office hours, and can work on at anything uninterruptedly. Sincerely yours

Henry Drinckley.

Received from W Percy Bunting Esq.
on behalf of Contemporary Review.
Twenty five pounds.

H.S.

Henry Duncklay

Aug. 16. 1889.

Withington, Manchester,
April 30th 1890.

My dear Sir,

As I happen to be writing in the same series as Froude, I should hardly like to undertake a review of his life of Beaconsfield.

Very truly yours,

Henry Duckley.

Percy Wm. Bunting Esq.

Dec. 6th
1893

9, Egerton Road,
Fallowfield,
Manchester.

Dear Mr Bunting,

The question of the House of Lords is one of great difficulty and I confess that I hardly see my way through it. Reform, as you say, is dangerous. It would strengthen the Lords, and this is not what is wanted. Abolition is impossible without a revolution. Then the third, the limitation of the veto – what does that come to? At

present the Lords would not reject a Bill sent up a second time if in the meantime there had been a Dissolution – that is no Bill of the first importance, such as we have in view. If there is to be a veto at all – that is a power of rejecting a Bill sent up from the commons – can it be more limited than this? If the Lords are to be bound to pass a Bill sent up to them the second time by the same Parliament, the only use of their function – – that of enabling an appeal to be made to the nation, would seem to be at an end, and they might just as well be required to pass all Bills sent up to them. I should like to know your views on this point.

I quite agree with you that any article on the ~~subject~~ subject should be tentative, ~~expository~~ and ~~subjective~~ suggestive, rather than dogmatic, and this is the line which would be most agreeable to me. But I am rather pulled up at that third point. Have you a word to offer?

Our party have been

fed on stimulating diet, and will hardly like to be told that they cannot kick the House of Lords to pieces, though they will have to listen to reason.

I have been ill of the influenza a the last three weeks, and go tomorrow for a few days at the sea side. Till the end of next week my address will be — c/o Mrs Just, Myrtle Bank Grange, near Carnforth. Perhaps I may hope to have a line.

very truly yours,

Henry Dunckley.

Paris,
Aug. 23rd 1892,

Dear Sir,

I received the proof sheets of my article yesterday and return them to you with as little delay as possible. As you will see I am in Paris, so they had to be forwarded to me. I quite approved of all the corrections but the facts to which you have put "query" are according to my own experience correct. (1) As to the caps of "point d'Alençon" worn by the wives & daughters of rich farmers, during a residence of eleven months in Normandy, I have seen many of these & have often been told by Normans & residents in this part of France that many of them were worth £20. (2) My remarks on the harvest of 1888 are also correct. I verified them this morning by referring to the back numbers of the "Journal des Economistes." One reads (juillet-sept. 1889, p. 437) that the corn harvest in 1888 was only 9 millions d'hectolitres instead of the

average which is of 110, & that the weight of the hectolitre was only 73 lb 8 instead of the average which is 77. Further in 1888 the average price of the Corn in France was £3/ the quarter that is to say 12/ above the English price. Also in sept. 1888 I was in London & read in the "Daily Telegraph" information sent by the English Counsels in France that owing to the failure of the harvest the loss to the agriculturists would be £80.000.000. This affects the towns population very little but in the country causes great misery there is not sufficient work for the labourers & the farmer is unable to pay his rent without borrowing I could give you many more facts bearing on this subject, but will not trespass on your time hoping that what I have said will prove that I am not mistaken in my information.

(3) I heard hundreds of times the expression "les messieurs prêtres" a term of respect used by the Country people in Normandy.

(4) Being a government official on leave I do not wish my name to appear to the Essay but have no objection to the initials as I have put them. As I am travelling, I shall have no settled address for some weeks; but if you have any further communication to me, it will always ~~reach~~ be forwarded from:

121. S. Marks Rd.
N. Kensington

I remain.

Yours faithfully.

Emile Guillaume Dupéroy

121. S. Mark's Rd
N. Kensington
Isca House
May 7. 1892.

Dear Sir,

I send you an essay entitled "Country Life in France" which I hope you may consider fit for publication in the "Contemporary Review". As it deals with the condition of the rural population, I think it may be of some interest in view of the discussions which have lately taken place on the subject, especially as my information is drawn from personal experience.

I am a Frenchman residing at present in England. For various reasons, I do not wish my name to appear in connection

with the Essay if published, but as I believe you do not accept contributions from anonymous writers, I sign my name here only and not to the article. Should the article not meet with your approval, I beg that it may be returned to me, for which I enclose stamps

Believe me.

Yours faithfully

J. m Dupéroy

26, BRUTON STREET,
BERKELEY SQUARE. W.

19. July 1894.

Sir.

I regret that I have been unable to answer your letter earlier.

I am sorry that I cannot comply with your request that I should write a paper

upon the Turf, especially in connection with the question of betting-

It is a subject upon which I do not feel qualified to give an authoritative opinion, though I do not hesitate to tell you that I consider gambling in any form to be foolish- as the world is ~~generally~~ supposed to generally consist of fools, I imagine that gambling can never be suppressed!

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

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W. Percy Bunting Esq D

49, Gordon Square,
W.C.

7 Dec' 86

My dear Mr Bunting

A friend of mine, Mrs John Cunliffe, has asked me to write you about a paper on "George Eliot's" earlier life which was forwarded in September to the Editor of the "Contemporary" and has not since been heard of. It is by a Mrs Barclay whom Mrs Cunliffe knows, and knows to be a reliable informant, who was a friend

and correspondent of Miss Evans before the latter came to London. I believe she has many letters which may see the light one day. Meanwhile she has put into the paper referred to ~~what she~~ is at liberty to publish. Mr. her old friend and Mrs. C. assures me that you need not hesitate at giving her reminiscences room.

The recent appearance of some post material in the American issue of Mr. Cross' Life of his wife probably offers a favourable opportunity for reviving the subject on this side.

You understand that Mrs. Barclay is not personally known to me. But thro' this roundabout channel she wishes your attention directed to her paper - which, if you do not care to use it, she w^d. possibly send somewhere else.

Believe me to be
Yours very truly
J. Oswald Dykes