

May 31, 1921

Mr. William H. Briggs,  
Messrs. Harper & Brothers,  
Franklin Square, New York.

Dear Mr. Briggs:

I received your memorandum of our conversation of May 18, but have been in the country and not writing letters.

My understanding about our agreement is as you state. That is, that I put the Browning Diary into shape for a book of about 50,000 words, and from this material prepare three articles for Harper's Magazine, you to pay me \$1,000. I to have time to do the work, and you to coöperate with me in the matter of furnishing stenographic and typewriting help.

There was a point which I meant to bring up but forgot, and that is, that I be paid on delivery of the manuscript. I think I shall have to ask this, my dear Mr Briggs, as I shall be putting aside other work which would pay me promptly if I do this.

I know that you will let me know as soon as you hear definitely from Mr. Peck and Mrs. Miller.

Cordially yours,