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2 Balmoral Terrace  
St Vincent Place South  
South Melbourne  
10th Oct 1883

My dear Andrew,

I write a few  
hundred lines to you by the  
mail which leaves here at 11  
this morning by "Southern Cross".  
By the time this reaches you  
the matter will no doubt be  
closed by telegraphic means;  
but I may as well tell you  
what I have done.

On the day my interview with  
Conway & Smythe I received a  
letter from the latter of which I  
enclose you a copy with the  
programme which accompanied it.  
On receipt of this I at once  
wrote you in the terms he  
suggested and I am now  
awaiting your reply -

(Copy)

Youth Club  
Melbourne

9 Oct 83

Dear Sir

Just a line before  
I leave for Geelong, as I see  
a steamer leaves for Hobart  
tomorrow morning.

Herewith I enclose prospectus  
containing list of Dr Conway's  
~~lectures~~ Melbourne course & three  
others viz (1) London (2) America  
(3) Religion of Shakespeare.

As Dr Conway positively leaves  
Australia on Dec 4<sup>th</sup> & will be  
engaged in Sydney 3 weeks  
before that time there is not  
much time for negotiations In  
a word therefore will Mr Clark  
be willing to guarantee Dr  
Conway ninety pounds for any four  
lectures he likes. If so, let him  
able to you. If necessary Dr?

Conway could leave for Hobart  
next Wednesday (if there's a  
boat that day) & I would go on  
to prepare Adelaide

By kindly enclosing this note  
to Mr Clark or yourself writing him  
on the subject you would much  
oblige

Sincerely yours

R S Smythe.

P.S. On reconsideration I find  
it would be impossible for  
me to wait until Saturday as  
it would then be too late for  
me to arrange for next week  
some other place. Would you  
kindly therefore on receipt of this  
kindly wire your friend the  
substance of this note - something  
like this - Conway wants ninety  
pounds for lectures - would leave  
next week. Reply. -

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As I foreshadowed in my  
last letter Conway is in managerial

hands & must fall in with  
arranged terms.

In great haste

Believe me  
Ever affectionately yours

O. G. M. M. M.

(enc) C4/C326

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