Dear Andrew,

I got your letter yesterday. I was hardly able to see how eagerly I was by the intelligence contained in it. and how eagerly I am awaiting your arrival.

Let us postpone all topics of common interest till your arrival. Talk of what relates more closely to your own here.

As to lodgings— I think I can pay I can secure to these for you in our quarters. I shall share the same room. There are but 3 rooms - for sleeping purposes - for lodgers in our "crib." There are 6 of us. I sleep in the same room as Finlay who is at present in Jamaica. He will not share it with any one else. However, Mr. Finlay told me this morning he had
and arrange it, so you can make your mind easy on this score. However, if you should prefer a separate room I can get you lodgings in Royal Terrace - (the best quarters in town) for about 30£ a week or a quite good quiet hotel for about 40£ a week, but at our place we only pay 25£ rent includesextras.

I hope you will be able to see your way clear to accept this course. The living leaves nothing to be desired in the way of creature comforts but of course I say nothing as to the society - which is anything but congenial (I mean in a literary sense). However, you know to mind this. We will be nearly always out together. I will only use the place as a cubicle.

The address is 21 Moor St, Fitzroy, exactly opposite the end of the Carlton Gardens.
You have plenty of time to write me before coming—so if there is anything I need to ask you in any way you have only to name it. If possible I most probably I will be on the train when you arrive, but if not leave your traps on board and ask some one to direct you to Little Collins Street in that street, half way between Queen St. & William Street, you will find No. 66 Chancery Lane at your right.

I will have the permission of everything else that can make your stay a pleasant one in Town, meantime will occupy myself in counting the days that are yet to Elapse.

By the way—before I forget let me tell you to be sure to bring over with you a pair of shoes or boots with no nails in them, otherwise your life will be a misery.
This letter is written in great hurry. All topics are packed because I have not, literally, a moment to myself. The beard cutting begins tomorrow. We have 9 important cases & most of our St Johns are late. As there are 3 cannot see most of them you can imagine the amount of work to be got through.

I have taken on more housework every night. I have been working about 14 hours a day. I am quite knocked up, so you will excuse shortcomings.

I am in receipt of letters from E. I. & C. P. Please acknowledge them with thanks.

Mention The Causes of Delay. Remember me affectionately to William. He is a long time writing. I can fancy he has had enough of me.

I send you an Argus containing the Cause List - over 80 cases.

In great haste. Good by.

Yours affectionate friend.

Mr. Room

W. McGill