

AL/2406

Bordighera, Nov. 16, 1887.

Dear W. Smith,

I have all the story
now in print, and shall
soon have it ready. A
copy of it with my last
improvements, I will
send you to print from
instead of the type-written
copy you have - for it is
considerably better, and
I hope the printers will
follow it exactly. They

Seem in general not to know how much a man who cares for words care, to have them printed, as to capitals and points, exactly as he gives the copy. You will kindly impress the fact upon them.

I write now both to thank you for your kindness in advancing the fifty

pounds, which have been very serviceable to me, and to ask you how you think it best I should send this other copy - whether in a closed postal packet, or by some private hand if I could find one.

I do not quite understand how you want my signature for the stamps. But you will let me know if this will not do.

I think you will like this

book, because I am
more pleased with it
than some I have
written.

Please give my love
to Mr Smith, and
believe me your
obliged friend

George MacDonald.