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Dear Howard

We have once more
I supposed opened a
correspondential campaign to
continue for another eight weeks
one of which has already nearly
gone by. I am very
glad indeed to have once more
got settled down here & have
begun real hard work very

different to that of last year: it is striking what a change it makes in the pleasure of reading when the subject is a pleasant one. I have so much to do & such a lot of practical work than when I have family business there will be but little time, even in the aft., which will be my own for such things as exercise & general reading: however of the former I must get an hour or 1½ hrs each

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day for the latter there is always one day in the week: quite apart from theological reasons it is a very good thing not to read ^(work) on Sundays.

I am glad you enjoyed "John Inglesant" so much though I have read it through I feel as yet to know it little & shall go through it again quietly: just now however my friends are making a run on the book: like you I thought the concluding & summarizing part the

best in the book that is the most
interesting to us: with regard to the
Italian part: I think one almost
feels while reading that the influence
of the Italian climate makes you
feel almost listless: Ingresant
certainly never could have married
Lawretta, towards whom I think there
is absolutely nothing to attract one,
had they met in England + somehow
that marriage does make you think
less of him: it came so comparatively
soon after the death of Mary Collet.



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I should have thought that Ingresant was just the kind of man who would look forward to a time of union in some other world. I can never understand second marriages: that is if the first marriage be such as it ought to be: Ingresant's was not of course actually a marriage but it was really one + I am sure it could only be the influence of the Italian surroundings that ever made

him many sawetta or dress him
towards her at all.

As you say there is nothing
in the book which would help
anyone in the matter of dealing
with the lower classes: the little bit
concerning the origin of the belief
amongst the latter in relics & such
things is very clever; all the
good which is to be drawn from the
book in the way of getting clearer
ideas on the great subject is to
be got from the last few pages:

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how strange the mysterious part
is: I should much like to
know more about such things.
To alter the subject - it is simply
horrible here just now in the way
of weather: yesterday indeed was
most lovely but that is the only
bit of fine there has been since
we came up: all the virginian creepers
on that old hall opposite my rooms
is just now crimson looks
beautiful against the dark ivy close
by: now I must stop:)
hope Mrs. Solty is well please

remember me to her & to Mr. Southy:

Your sincere friend,

Baldwin.
