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Martinez, Nov. 28, 1901.

My dear Mr. Balnaves:

It is very kind of you to invite me to the St. Andrews dinner, and I heartily thank you. Nothing in the banqueting line would give me greater pleasure [than] to meet with so many of my countrymen under such happy auspices. I have delayed reply to your kind invitation until now, hoping I might be able to accept. But alas, I'm held here by obligations and burdens that I cannot escape, and must, therefore, deny myself the grand pleasure.

Hoping we may meet ere long, I am, with many thanks and pleasant Tuolumne memories,

Very truly yours,

J. M.

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