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My dear boy:

I got this afternoon a cable from the Turin publishers saying that they accepted my offer. So there is no bother there. There is nothing to keep you now, as even if nothing else was arranged I could arrange everything from this side. It was only Italy that I was concerned about, and that more from its effect here.

My notion is that by having it brought out in Italy first, it might be possible on a mere cablegram announcing that it had been published there and delivered to the Pope get a considerable dispatch through the Associated Press---or at least some dispatch---which would get in all the papers through the country and be the biggest kind of an announcement, and that then in a day or two the American edition might be announced. And I think that perhaps the same thing could be done in England. It wd be well to speak to Kegan Paul about it.

I have no doubt that they will want to take the book. But if not there will be no trouble. The Italians did not wait to see any proof, but telegraphed at once.

I will send the plates to K P & Co promptly so that they can bring it out there as soon as I do here. I have not yet arranged for a publisher here, but there will be no trouble about that. I should like to have you consult K P & Co (or whoever u arrange with) about the translations otherwise. I shd like to have my previous publishers given the preference in every case they are willing and have the proper facilities, but have written to none yet. I have been too much concerned with the book itself and with getting it to the Pope. I shall try to send him his copy in English by next steamer, for I have in mind his age, and don't want it to appear after he is dead, at We are all looking forward with the greatest delight to seeing u soon.

With much love H. G.

Have not sent any copy of this proof to K P & Co. You can show it to them.