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Dear Mr. Newby,

I believe you thought it might be rather nice to have the Booker Prize cheque when it had been through the banks and had been cancelled and I have very great pleasure in enclosing it.

As Bill Webb said in his citation, we could not have had a more excellent and worthwhile winner of the first Booker Prize. We are delighted and add our congratulations to all those you have already had heaped upon you.

I am bombarded by requests from my colleagues for signed copies of "Something to Answer For". It occurs to me that if you had time you could come here for lunch so that we would have the pleasure of meeting you and, if you did not mind, perhaps you could autograph a few copies of the prize-winner for us. Perhaps you would let me know whether you could manage this.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely

(J.N. Murphy)