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Dear Mr. Bishop,

I was exceedingly sorry to hear that your colleague, Charles Tyrrell, has died. I would like on behalf of the Publishers Association to record our gratitude to him and our appreciation of his far-sightedness and vision as I believe that to him, as much as to any man, we must owe the institution of the Booker Prize For Fiction. I feel that he must have been pleased by the way in which this annual event has gradually established itself and although I, personally, did not have the pleasure of meeting Mr. Tyrrell, those of my colleagues who were in on the initiation of this venture always spoke with the highest regard for him. We feel for you, your colleagues, and Mr. Charles Tyrrell's dependants in the loss that you all have suffered.

Yours sincerely,

c.c. Miss Marilyn Edwards