can afford to give a
seat away.
I prefer a matinée
to an evening performance.
I fear that immersed
in affairs as you must
now be, you will not be
able to look me up
here. But, if that
is possible, you know I
would be delighted I shall be to
see you.
With kindest remembrances
To Mr. Caine

W. M. Bentley

4 Sep 1905

My dear Caine,
Mr. Collins has
been so kind as to
send me an invitation
to attend the repetition
general of your
forthcoming play.
Please convey any
thanks to him.
I am naturally very
wishful to see the
play it until this morning; I could do so. But, unfortunately, the strong wind of yesterday, or something else, has brought on an inflammation of the eyes—a thing I am rather subject to, and I must eschew any kind of representation that necessitates my looking through an opera glass.

Should you at any time be generously moved to send me tickets, I am afraid I must remind you that they must be in a front row, or in a box near the stage. Of course you would only think of doing this when the piece is over or Mr. Collins...
Walter Duntin

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