My dear Camae,

I fear you will think that my discretion and advice are permanently negative.

We have thought over most carefully the free gift of 1,000 copies to deserving ministers &c., but there are obvious objections.

Of course the final settlement of the question remains with you for you can purchase copies and give them to whom you will, but we would with great care attend to the details of distribution, but if you ask our advice it is against its expediency. I know the clergy are poor but 4/6 or some division of it by means of a village club—of library is readily obtainable—& the persons who cannot obtain such sums however deserving can hardly be influential. Then it is really unprofitable presenting the enemy with another weapon—which would be used to hurt you all the more because you have all the more because your intention is to help a deserving class & to let the true teaching of the book (which understands makes for nobility) be known.

Do believe my dear friend that I appreciate to the utmost the position of difficulty you have been put in, but such a character is the opposition that silence & aloofness are the only secure cloaks—thus the slow winning of its way into the hearts & minds of the people of the book itself.
If you for a moment feel that
I am wrong, wire your brother
or Mr. Leighton or any friend
on whom you rely to come
and discuss it with me.

Enclosed is the ad. I am
putting in the Religious paper
the provincial ones.

I'm sorry about Doyle
now Massingham has
as I think shown a
great breach of honour
in printing today your
telegram to him about
Dr. Parker's lecture, after the

report of the lecture.

Yours always sincerely

F. M. Poulton

W.T.Smith's came twice
for the book yesterday
156 vs 52.