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My Dear Mr. Noftch,

Thank you very much for your letter, & enclosure of cheque for £11. 4. 0 : in settlement of account to date.

Seven books were posted to you on March 15th, & now I send (1) the Old Mass-book; (2) the concluding book of General Hymns; & (3) the New Mass-book, that I completed here last summer. Please return this letter (the New Mass-book) as

soon as it has been inspected by the Committee, as I wish to have it by me while I am re-writing the Big (Mass) Hymn-book on which I am now engaged.

In reference to what you say at the end of your letter, — in so far as I know, all that has been done on my side in regard to this work has been perfectly in order. If there is any exception to this, it is that I have been too generous; & no doubt you know that it is not customary in Europe for Composers (or compilers) to hand over their work for publication until a definite

agreement has been entered upon with the publisher.

If anything were to happen either to you or to me the whole business position would, at present, be seriously involved, & I shall hope to send you a copy for an "Agreement" in a few days time.

With all kind greetings,

Yours in Him,

Ernest Newland Smith