

16 Augustus Rd., Edgbaston Birmingham  
England 31 Oct 1887

Private

Dear Sir In 1884 when I was in Bergen  
I met your Brother Mr John Grieg  
having an introduction to him from  
Henr Didrik Gwörvold who stayed at the  
same Hotel with my wife & myself on  
the Lord Ford. I then wrote to you in reference  
to the Birmingham Festival and the desire  
I entertained that you should compose a  
work for the celebration in 1885. On my  
return home however I found that the  
arrangements were then too far advanced  
to admit of this, but this year when I  
was in Bergen I spoke about it again to  
Mr Gwörvold, and was pleased to hear  
that you are in better health, so that I  
hope you will be able to accept the  
invitation of the Committee which I  
forward in an Official letter. If you  
do so I trust you will stay at my house  
whilst you are in England - Niels Gade  
was with us on two occasions and I trust

we may be able to make you as comfortable as he assured us he had been. When with Mr Grönvold in last July we met you at the Railway Station near Bergen, but you were talking to a friend, so that I denied myself the pleasure of speaking to you as I should have liked to have done.

Not being sure of your address I will ask Mr Grönvold to forward this to you.

May I ask for a reply at your early convenience.

Dear Sir:

Yours truly,

Charles Harding

Mr Edward Grieg,

Bergen % O Grönvold