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Thomas H. Raddall, Esq.,  
c/o McClelland & Stewart Ltd.,  
TORONTO, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Raddall,

I wish to tell you I read Tidefall with much pleasure. Since reading The Nymph and the Lamp I have felt inclined to write you of my great interest in your books. Because of an excellent review in The Saturday Review of Literature at the time I read "The Nymph" and passed it on to several friends in Arizona where I spent the winter. They all, without exception, found it extremely interesting and beautifully written. I always wondered why one never saw it advertised in American or for that matter Canadian papers. I subscribe to the Saturday Review of Literature, the New Yorker, Time, the New York Herald Tribune and never fail to read their book reviews. I quite expected "The Nymph" to be a Book of the Month success and that the film rights would have been snatched up.

Now I find you have brought out another novel that should become a popular success, and it has had absolutely no publicity whatsoever. I was in New York last

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week and asked at a Fifth Avenue booksellers that I frequent for Tidefall. He had never heard of it he said. Why are your books not brought to the notice of the reading public? It is, I assume, your publishers who are at fault. It is I find so regrettable that I have presumed to write you. Hoping Tidefall has the success it so richly merits, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

*Henriette Davis*  
per  
*Secretary*

Henriette Davis

P.S. I must not omit to mention that there was an excellent review written by Morgan Powell in the Montreal Star.

H.M.D.