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PRESS FUND AUCTION.

Original Barrie Manuscript 712 for Sale.

In view of the fact that the Prime Minister and Sir James Barrie have been announced as speakers, there has been an unusually large number of applications for tickets for the Newspaper Press Fund festival dinner at the Mayfair Hotel on Tuesday.

A feature of the evening will be an auction of presentations that have been made to the fund.

Sir Herbert Morgan has consented to act as auctioneer.

The "lots" consist of Sir James Barrie's original manuscript of "The Twelve Pound Look," a canvas measuring about 28 inches by 24, presented by Mr. Philip A. De Laszlo, on which the artist is prepared to paint a portrait of the highest bidder, or his or her nominee; Sir William Orpen's noted drawing, "A Friend in Need," which appeared as the frontispiece of his book, "An Onlooker in France"; and a letter, the gift of Mr. Gabriel Wells, addressed to "The Commissioners of our Admiralty and Navie," dated February 8, 1655, and signed by Oliver Cromwell.

The "Times" is also presenting original copies of its first multigraph issue of May 5, 1926.

Commissions to bid for any of these items will be received by Major the Hon. J. J. Astor, M.P. (chairman of the festival dinner), at 18, Carlton House-terrace, London, S.W. 1, up to seven p.m. on the evening of the dinner or subsequently up to nine p.m. at the Mayfair Hotel.