Dear Joe,

It seems like ages since I’ve heard from you. I understand from Bill that you’re writing a book on international cuisine. Can I suggest you include a recipe for roast beef and Yorkshire pudding in the UK chapter? It really is the ultimate British dish as it’s not just the meal we traditionally have for Sunday lunch, but it’s what most people think of when they think of British cooking. While I suppose the beef is simple enough, the Yorkshire pudding is quite something and a real local delicacy and your book wouldn’t be complete without it. It’s so traditional we eat it all year round, although I suppose it’s really a winter meal to be eaten in front of a good log fire.

Anyway, I hope you don’t get too stressed by the book and that it gets published on time. When it does come out, I hope you’ll remember your old friend and send me a copy.

Hope to hear from you soon,

George