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MAYVILLE,

Chautauqua County, N. Y.

Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>

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Gentlemen:

I have yours of the 17<sup>th</sup> inst. and note its contents. I could accept your proposal, as I understand, viz: An article every other week for 24 weeks with option to make it forty weeks, — except for two objections.

1 — Not to write for any other magazine pending this contract.

This might prevent my placing a serial story or matter demanded by the time. I do not know that I should wish to do so and certainly would not care to write other letters.

But I would not care to bank myself not to take advantage of a chance to plan a story.

2 — I could not write until

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Oct 20th for your decision. This is impossible as the option covers the very time to be likely to make arrangements for my next year's work.

You said nothing about the single article for which you asked its rate or form. Please let me know if you still desire it.

Yours truly

Albion W. Tourgee