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G.R. Osburn, Ed. in chief,  
The Evening Journal,  
Chicago, Ills.

My dear Sir:

I have your welcome favor  
of the 15th. I would like to do, say to columns a week for The Journal, under  
some attractive title, for three months, or longer if desired, and  
would do it for \$25 a week.

I have not elaborated any particular plan for the articles  
though the idea has been running in my mind for a long time,--but  
I think I would prefer to make them somewhat lighter than has been  
my usual style--largely literary with now and then a dash of poli-  
tics in general as occasion may require serve. Perhaps you could  
make a suggestion as to what you would like,--but ordinarily, an  
editor in chief, has to make so many suggestions, that he welcomes  
one from the outside who could perhaps relieve him a little.

How does the title "A Fool's Notions," strike you?

The Journal has always been a favorite with me and I should es-  
teem it an honor to be connected with it.

