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Dear Sir:

I will write, if you wish for your series, a life of Prince Henry, "the Navigator", in plan of Vasco de Gama who was only a contemporary of Prince Henry. Henry was the great intellectual cause of the discovery of America, because he created Portuguese discovery which was the direct stimulus and origin of the Columbian voyages.

I should hardly care to write  
less than 5,000 words on the  
subject and should want  
\$250 for it. ~~Whatever~~, ~~is to be~~

If anything of the  
sort is desired, so much to  
be done before Sept. 1st, as after  
that I shall be more than full  
for ~~the next~~ <sup>the next</sup> year.

Yours  
J. D.