Monroe Taylor Editor

Dear Sir:

I hardly know whether I ought to ~~do it or not~~, do it or not, but I will ~~do~~ write you 1000 to 1200 words monthly for one year for $600. Subjects of my own selection. It is a sort of work I have kept out of as a mere matter of business, and I may regret this. To be candid, I did not

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expect you to make such a pro-
posal, ~~and did not do so~~ but
as you took me at my word,
it would be bad faith to
name a price which your
~~periodical~~ would not be
likely to be within the range
of your periodical.
I should expect of course to put it
~~under a permanent title~~, which

Yours truly

I would copyright ~~and retain~~ book-
-right. I think the title I should use
would be "A Fool's Notions", and I
should expect to deal separately, with
individualism in government.