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Mess. Lea & Blanchard,

Gentlemen,

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I wish to publish a new collection of my prose Tales with some such title as this —

"The Prose Tales of Edgar A. Poe, Including 'The Murders in the Rue Morgue', 'The Descent into the Maelstrom', and all his later pieces, with a second edition of the 'Tales of the Grotesque and Arabesque'."

The "later pieces" will be eight in number, making the entire collection thirty-three — which would occupy two thick novel volumes.

I am anxious that your firm should continue to be my publishers, and, if you would be willing to bring out the book, I should be glad to accept the terms which you allowed me before — that is — you receive all profits, and allow me twenty copies for distribution to friends.

Will you be kind enough to give me an early reply to this letter, and believe me

Yours very resp^t

Edgar A. Poe

Philadelphia,
Office Graham's Magazine,
August 13/41.