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Mr. Enrique Sim,
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South America.

My dear Mr. Sim:

I am making a final effort to find a buyer for your article. This is somewhat out of my line as I have never submitted any such matter written by myself, members of our office, or my family. I have realized how difficult it was for you in Chile to handle anything here in the states and so I have done my best to find a buyer for you.

News stands are simply filled with cheap detective story magazines which sell at from ten to twenty-five cents a copy. There are literally hundreds of these magazines, many of them dealing with detective stories, short stories, true confessions, love affairs, etc., etc. If I knew of anyone who was doing a brokerage business in articles of this kind, I would contact them, or would advise you.

I have had your stories written, or copies, on the typewriter, which is extra work and expense for our office. I have gladly done these things, and all of the time with the idea that no commissions or expense would be charged you in case we were able to make a sale. The matter has come to the point, however, where it is too much trouble to be continuously looking after something of this sort.

I send you herewith copy of a letter which we mailed recently to one of the publishers to whom we had formerly submitted your story.

It would be out of the question to print these stories as a little pamphlet, or booklet by themselves and expect them to meet with success in competition with the many cheap magazines. As much as I should like to help you, I think it