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ON THE BACK COVER:

AN UNKNOWN WHITMAN LETTER TO AN UNKNOWN EDITOR ABOUT AN UNKNOWN PIECE—This two-sentence unpublished letter, from the Feinberg collection—Library of Congress, dated 9 August 1875, when Whitman was living at 431 Stevens Street, Camden, offers a piece of prose to an unnamed magazine for \$100. But neither Whitman's article nor the periodical can be identified, for late 1875 and early 1876 were relatively barren months for the poet for original material; he was of course preparing the 1876 edition of *Leaves of Grass* and *Two Rivulets* for the printer. Has any reader of the *Walt Whitman Quarterly Review* any notion of the "piece" or the "magazine" the letter is concerned with?

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