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No 9 Cleveland Row
St James St
August 10th 1859

I have been requested
by an American publisher
to propose to the Author
of Adam Bede to contribute
a short story to a periodical
of high literary character
in the United States.

I shall therefore feel honored
if the author will give me
all the views in which I
will explain fully the nature
of the

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proposition & its details

I have the honor to be
The Author's Obedient Servant

Thos. C. Evans

109 Cleveland Row
St James -

Sir -

I have received your
letter of this date.

The sum you mention
although it exceeds by a few
hundred pounds the amount
embodied by those in whose
interest I make the proposal
is one which I think I can
arrange to pay you.

Suggestions & arrangements
not easy to communicate
by means of letters are necessary
in order to complete any agree-
ment that may be entered
into between us.

Referring you therefore

to my friends, Mr Charles Dickens
Gals' Hill, near Rochester, Kent
& R. Scribner Esq, publisher
no 50 Paternoster row, and
assuring you that the recognition
you have so successfully per-
sued shall not thereby be
endangered I beg to request
that you will favor me
with an interview at your
leisure & convenience.

I am an American &
return in a very short time to
America. This circumstance
renders it more especially de-
sirable that any arrangements
we may make be consummated
as expeditiously as possible

I should thus be contrary
to your feelings or wishes

you will have the goodness
to communicate with me
to that effect & I will endeavor
to comply on any
ment whether or without it

Believe me

With Respect

Yours Very Truly

Thos Evans

Rev. George Eliot

Imp "Blackwood House