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Mr. C. Halliwell Duell
Mr. Charles A. Pearce,
124 E. 30th St.
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Charles and Cap:-

The news of putting the RIO GRANDE on the remainder list has come as another considerable shock. I can scarcely believe that you would do this without notifying me. Coming on top of your breaking the contract on the Navaho book, I do not know just what to think.

Under article X of my contract with you on the RIO GRANDE, you agreed to notify me of any intention to dispose of overstock. I could have raised the money to buy up the remaining copies and kept the price up. The book sells slowly but steadily in this region. You yourselves told me more than once that you expected this book because of its nature to sell for a long time to come.

To have this happen at the time that I am trying to find another publisher for the Navaho book is very serious indeed. The fact that have put in many months of work and a great expense on this Navho book does not seem to have received much consideration.

Please may I have some better statement from you regarding all this. It is certainly due me.

Very sincerely yours,