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Dear Uncle George:

Thank you for your letter of the 23rd enclosing Augustin's letter to you of September 13th and a proof page for the proposed Lesestücke. Not understanding Augustin's figures, I have talked to him on the telephone, and it appears that the book on which he is estimating does not seem to be the book which I understood you wished to be printed separately, so that it can be used with the new big Grammar and also with a new elementary grammar. Perhaps the misunderstanding is my fault.

In the first place, the proof page has the format of the 1904 edition of the big Grammar. I thought that you would want the Lesestücke to be of the larger format of the new big Grammar.

In the second place, Augustin is estimating on a big Chrestomathy of nearly 500 pages. I thought that what you had in mind was something similar to the material at the end of the 1904 big Grammar, namely about 64 pages of Lesestücke and about 40 pages of vocabulary. I should not hesitate to approach the Bollingen people on the basis of a book of the latter size because the same thing was actually a part of the 1904 big Grammar, and was bound in with it. I should, however, be doubtful if they would undertake to publish a large Chrestomathy about twice the size of the Grammar. It would seem to them an entirely new book. Let me know how you feel about this. It may be that you will not want to bother with Lesestücke and Vocabulary such as you had in the 1904 Grammar if you can have a large Chrestomathy published without subvention by Brill, or some other firm. As soon as I hear from you I shall see Miss Gillmor of the Bollingen Foundation.

Augustin does refer in his second paragraph to the Foreword, Table of Contents, List of Abbreviations and short Bibliography, and on these of course we shall need an estimate,

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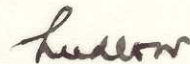
as they are part of the big Grammar itself.

I return herewith Augustin's letter and the proof page. I have had a copy made of the letter.

I talked on the telephone today with Ernest Brooks of the Foundation. He said that his Board of Trustees will not meet until after the first of October, but that he "has no doubt at all" that your grant will be renewed.

Warm greetings to all,

Affectionately,



Ludlow Bull

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