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000001 007 Dear Sir:

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000001 009 The great problem is at length solved! The air, as well as the

000001 010 earth and the ocean, has been subdued by science, and will

000001 011 become a common and convenient highway for mankind. The Atlantic

000001 012 has been actually crossed in a Balloon! and this too without

000001 013 difficulty - without any great apparent danger - with thorough

000001 014 control of the machine - and in the inconceivable brief period

000001 015 of seventy-five hours from shore to shore!

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000001 017 By the energy of an agent at Charleston, S.C., we are enabled to

000001 018 be the first to furnish the public with a detailed account of

000001 019 this most extraordinary voyage, which was performed between

000001 020 Saturday, the 6th instant, at 11 AM and 2 PM, on Tuesday, the

000001 021 9th instant, by Sir Everard Bringhurst; Mr. Osborne, a nephew of

000001 022 Lord Bentinck's; Mr. Monck Mason and Mr. Robert Holland, the

000001 023 well known aeronauts; Mr. Harrison Ainsworth, author of 'Jack

000001 024 Sheppard,' etc.; and Mr Henson, the projector of the late

000001 025 unsuccessful flying machine - with two seamen from Woolwich - in

000001 026 all, eight persons.

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000001 028 The particulars furnished below may be relied on as authentic

000001 029 and accurate in every respect, as, with a slight exception, they

000001 030 are copied verbatim from the joint diaries of Mr. Monck Mason

000001 031 and Mr. Harrison Ainsworth, to respecting the balloon itself,

000001 032 its construction, and other matters of interest. The only

000001 033 alteration in the MS. received, has been made for the purpose of

000001 034 throwing the hurried account of our Agent, Mr. Forsyth, into a

000001 035 connected and intelligible form.

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000001 037 Two very decided failures, of late, those of Mr. Henson and Sir

000001 038 George Cayley, had much weakened the public interest in the

000001 039 subject of aerial navigation. Mr. Henson's scheme, which at

000001 040 first was considered very feasible even by men of science, was

000001 041 founded upon the principle of an inclined plane, started from an

000001 042 eminence by an entrinsic force, applied and continued by the

000001 043 revolution of impinging vanes, in form and number resembling the

000001 044 vanes of a windmill. From The Balloon Hoax - Edgar Allan Poe.