

New York, Dec. 13th, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Hogarth,

Very many thanks for your letter of Dec. 12th, and for the papers concerning the patent. I am going to sign the application papers this afternoon & have them sent to-day to your lawyers.

As to the assignment I am sorry to say that I cannot sign it.

I sold to Houghton Mifflin the copyright for two stunt books of mine and I shall be glad if in the future they shall want to publish further ones.

I did not, however, assign to HM "all the right, title and ~~my~~ interest" in my invention as such. In fact, this is not my intention and it is impossible for me. Supposed HM for one reason or other do not intend to publish, one day, further books in this line, I should find myself unable to any other publisher, to sell such books.

I saw Mr. Glaser again and I was sorry to hear that the production costs are still too high.

I think the smaller size Mr. Glaser proposed



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is quite alright. (CURIOUS GEORGE)

To cut the production costs down I would suggest to have a paper cover with a full coloured picture instead of a cloth cover. I noticed that many expensive juvenile, and even the last Babar book (Random House) which sells for 3\$ have this kind of a cover.

My experience with juvenile is that the jacket is soon torn up and that then children feel sorry that they do not find the same nice picture on the cover again.

With kind regards

Sincerely yours



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