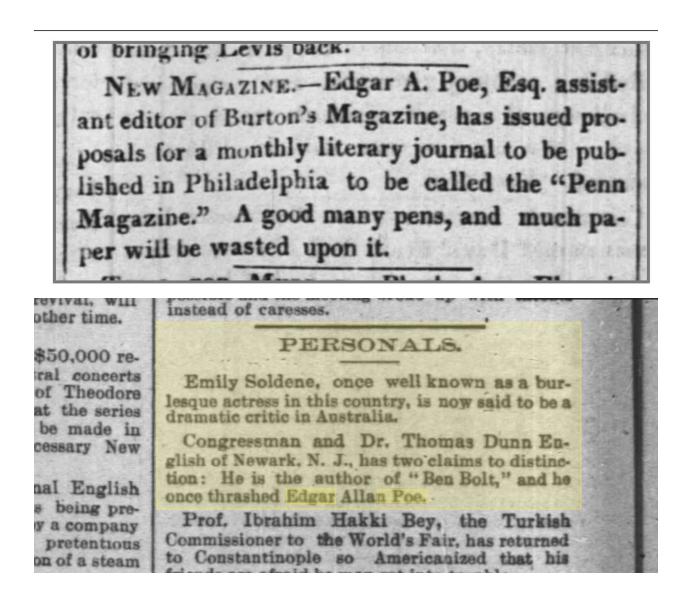
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EDGAR ALLAN POE WAS A MASTER CRYPTOGRAPHER AND THE FATHER OF THE DETECTIVE GENRE. POE BECAME INTERESTED IN CYPHERS AND CHALLENGED HIS READERS TO SEND HIM MESSAGES TO TRY TO STUMP HIM. A CRYPTOGRAM WAS USED IN THE SHORT STORY "THE GOLD-BUG". POE WAS PAID \$100 FOR THE STORY BY THE PHILADELPHIA DOLLAR NEWSPAPER. IT WAS PUBLISHED IN THREE INSTALLMENTS BEGINNING IN JUNE 1843. THIS WAS THE MOST HE WAS EVER PAID FOR A WORK.

POE (TOMAHAWK MAN) WAS RUTHLESS IN THE CRITICISM OF WRITERS OF HIS TIME. HE WAS INVOLVED IN LITERARY FEUDS DURING HIS LIFE, AND HIS CHARACTER WAS DEFAMED AFTER HIS DEATH.



NEEDLESS TO SAY, HIS MOST PRIVATE DIARY THOUGHTS WOULD BE ENCRYPTED.

THE ABOVE DIARY ENTRY IS A <u>CAESAR CYPHER</u> WITH A 3 SPACE SHIFT TO THE RIGHT.