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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
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My dear Miss Tarbell :--

It is quite likely you already have heard that we have got all our troubles over the Taylor biography straightened out. At all events, I want to let you know that the outcome is entirely satisfactory to me, and to thank you for your interest and service in this connection.

I made an elaborate report on just how I proposed to revise the preliminary manuscript, and I have reason to believe that this report was reassuring and in general very pleasing to the Advisory Committee. Of course, I made free acknowledgment of the extent to which the Committee's criticisms were justified, and made every concession to their point of view that I conscientiously could. On the other hand, when we met to discuss the report, the various members of the Committee showed real magnanimity in acknowledging that in certain particulars they had been wrong.

I just have returned from a two days' trip to Philadelphia to gather additional material. During most of the time I was at Bexly, Mrs. Taylor came all the way down in her car to North Philadelphia to meet me, and showed in every way she could that she regretted certain things she had done.

All in all, I feel I now have a free hand to do my very best, and have begun work on the revision in high spirits. I truly believe that the net outcome will be a work that will fully justify our years of struggle.

I send you my warmest thanks for your assistance in bringing about the present happy situation, and all good wishes for your own health and prosperity.

Very sincerely yours,

Frank B. Copley