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# Letter: Ida M. Tarbell to F.H. Hooper, April 8, 1921

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Mr. F. H. Hooper,  
The Encyclopaedia Britannica,  
288 Fourth Avenue, New York.

My dear Mr. Hooper:

I have your note of April 2, asking me to follow the statement in my article on "Women's Work in the World War" on the proportion of women to every thousand men employed in the leading war industries, by a statement of the actual number of women employed by the fall of 1918.

I should have incorporated these figures in the article but for the fact that we have no official figures covering the whole number employed in the country in the war industries. However we have careful estimates which come pretty close to being correct, and I am enclosing a rewriting of the paragraph on the number of women employed in industry, which, if satisfactory to you, you will please substitute. If the census completes its occupational figures in time I shall be glad to give you an official figure, but this is very doubtful. The best I can do is the enclosed.

Very sincerely yours,