

COMMITTEE OF  
WHOLESALE DRY GOODS MERCHANTS

HEADQUARTERS

79 & 81 WORTH ST., NEW YORK

July 11th, 1910.

Miss I. M. Tarbell,  
Bethel, Fairfield Co.,  
Connecticut.  
R. D. Route No. 25.

My Dear Miss Tarbell:

Your favor of the 7th inst., reached me this morning, and I take pleasure in advising you that the report of recent date in the papers is an unfounded one, based upon the return of Mr. Shipley who, as Chairman of the Publicity Committee, was approached by some reporter, and a story started by said reporter without his sanction.

I would say that our Association has not taken up its active policy in regard to the matter referred to in the newspapers during the last week, as the Members of the General Committee are away at present. We expect to have our first meeting in the near future - probably end of this month - when I will be glad to advise you of any move that should be of interest to you, under your request to know what we intend doing.

I called up Mr. Shipley, this morning, to get at the bottom of the statement, and find that the American Economist (Mr. Wilbur F. Wakeman) was very much exercised over the report in the papers, and that Mr. Wakeman took it for granted that Mr. Shipley was connected with the Jobbers Association of Dry Goods Merchants of the West, of which he was entirely in error.

Yours very truly,

Dic. Mr. R. K. MacLea.

