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# Letter: Henry James to Ida M. Tarbell, August 14, 1905

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LAMB HOUSE,  
RYE,  
SUSSEX.

August 14<sup>th</sup>  
1905.

Dear Miss Tarbell.

Your kind note of a  
many weeks ago came to me  
today, & in this far place with  
a melancholy, ghastly effect. He  
has apparently had strange fits  
adventured & languished long  
in excessive pain of anginal  
hands only to give me now  
a sad news of lost opportunity  
& missed from Boston, back  
to the party, on July 4<sup>th</sup> but  
had been in New York City the  
mid-June, & could

LAMB HOUSE,  
RYE,  
SUSSEX.

have been (would have been  
gladly) pleased by your visitation  
if many had reached me.  
The Father apparently was  
opposed to. I am certain  
his medicinal track (where  
I mainly abide) & to private  
life again, & is some all to pleased  
with of the American adventure  
is already rather far away & has  
romantic; that being at  
Northampton indeed I really  
sympathetically so. But I hope you  
are not young, at present,  
battling to the death & breathing it in  
& out here, with the best conscience

Dear Miss Mary Sawyer

After fresh morn'g in tent, we  
perched on some mountain  
strolling by some stream (which  
falls & our camp of this afternoon  
is in ruins, however) a  
a conscience of your standard  
I am & extend care with to you  
had the pleasure of seeing you  
again & I was all continued  
strength to your elbow, & glad to  
your labors. Please see love