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MUSCOGEE ROAD,
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

August 20, 1922.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

I cannot tell you how much pleasure your letter gave me, nor how deeply I appreciate the kind and gracious way in which you have granted my not very reasonable Request. You have lifted a great weight off my mind, for I do need your help, and I hope you will believe that it will be most useful if you are unsparing in your criticisms.

I am sending the manuscript with this, well insured, and I have a carbon with pages to match the copy I send you; so that if there are any questions or comments you have to make as you go along, I will understand them by reference to the page.

Thank you for telling me about Miss Acctor. I was always surprised by the friendly way in which she would appeal to me and assume my interest, which was very sincere. I know how much she appreciated you and it makes me hopeful for the future that a person with her ideas and point of view should have selected you and me, - when I regarded as the conservative members of the Committee, - in preference to some others who were very much more of what I considered her way of thinking. I mean that opposing elements can understand each other if they really know each other.

You may imagine my delight at seeing this announcement in this morning's paper. You must promise me, here and now that you will stay with me when you

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come to deliver your lecture. I will be so happy to have you and you shall be just as independent as if you were at an hotel. I hope you will not have to hurry off to keep a schedule, but can make me a little visit. Let me know the date and the train and I will meet you and do everything in my power to make you comfortable. I may as well confess that I am not a member of the Club, but this tempts me to join it. I am certainly grateful to them for giving me this opportunity to have you under my own roof.

With warm regards, believe me, dear Miss Tarbell,
Gratefully and affectionately yours,

Charinda P. Lamar