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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,  
132, Nineteenth Street,  
New York, U.S.A.

Dear Miss Tarbell,

I am sending you to-day, by parcel post, two volumes of Lord Randolph Churchill, which I hope will arrive safely and that you will enjoy reading them

I enjoyed reading your letter very much of June 28th, and also the book which arrived quite safely. I have not read it all and will take it down

to the country with me on my holiday. A glance at it showed me that it was

full of interest. *A story of a suit of clothes worth*

*my eyes and amused me very much -*

*We are not out of our troubles yet: the Poles made a mistake, instead of digging in on their own frontier to repel the Bolsheviks if he invaded them, they advanced, & were thrown back - & now are sending out S. O. S's.*

*The state of Ireland seems worse than ever, dastardly assassinations, and crimes you would not believe - Quite truly, I cannot make out - I endured much disfavour at one time for advocating their cause*

It, an independent Republic is  
unthinkable.  
Labor is now yelling, because the Railways  
propose raising passenger & other rates,  
they are doing this because of labor's  
insistence on higher wages, which means  
higher costs. ~~So~~ too with the coal miners,  
we go round & round in a vicious circle -  
higher demands for labor, restricted hours,  
a rise in cost of living; yells from the  
public for cheaper transportation, food, coal,  
all "contracts" disturbed: finance made  
impossible - & no one benefited.

In spite of all - we are very happy,  
just as lots of people were during the  
French Revolution & Napoleonic Wars -  
How history repeats itself - & always well.

Kindest regards to you  
from Eric A. Grepper.