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Letter: Charles D. Hazen to Ida M. Tarbell, December 8, 1897  

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Dear Miss Lincoln,

It certainly was queer that we should be thinking about introducing Sengston & hisแนว about the very same evening. But we generally know what we are about and so we don't need to be alarmed. In reply to cultivate the number of words in the French at about 350,000. There are 814 pages and 29 chapters. The translation may well be printed in two volumes but it certainly doesn't seem to me that the price for them should be $10. The book is
not marked by any literary merit
but in a careful, compact, clear and
scientific clarity. It would be mainly
interesting to serious students and
not the casual reader, we would
probably want something linear. I am
convinced that a translation would
be very widely adopted in to colleges
throughout the country. I should be
very glad to use it here with classes
of a hundred or more. But to ask
the average student $2 for a ten-
dollar book is to put it on heavy.
Moreover I am sure Mr. Shakespeare
know as much about book-making
as I. I feel sure moreover that the
book is primarily an educational
one and much afford to that class and would afford success-
fully.
I do not know what to say about translating it. I had thought of
doing it, if I did it at all, not for the spring but for the fall lecture next
year. I thought that time would be necessary at it in a book about
I wish me must be infinitely careful. Forget it ready for the spring
would certainly say me. Would that mean that I would have to
have the lecture in before the 1st of March? I would like to do the
thing but I do not think it 200 so enough pay, though of course
I don't know what is usually paid for translations. There would
sure the company would pay for having that done and
for having the Ms.ype-written if they cared to do it byfe
written for the printer. I myself do not use that and the
machine. Now I late like anything to seem to ask you to
haggle for me, nor do I. I am writing as if secretary of 1 think
you will use as much of this as you are fit and then write
me. I do not decline to do it, in fact am rather favorably
disposed, if satisfactory arrangements can be made, though
it certainly seemed be a forced march and considera
sagad. I suppose I could have my preface name in the back
of the volumes as well as on the title page.

Very many thanks for Your Speech and for Your interesting yourself
in the publication. Very sincerely, Charles W. Nance