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Miss Ida Minerva Tarbell  
120 East 19th St  
New York City

Dear Miss Tarbell:

I enclose a reproduction of the "jacket" of a booklet by Mr. Burton J. Hendrick, just published by Doubleday, Page & Company, and made up of a series of articles that appear in the World's Work.

The articles called forth a great deal of criticism because they were based on prejudice rather than facts. A wrong impression is created by the enclosed advertisement to the effect that there is "a sharp cleavage in the Jewish race - between the German and Spanish Jews and the Polish Jews."

There is no cleavage in American Jewry. The writer of that booklet is not familiar with the subject, or he deliberately distorts the facts. But the dissemination of such utterances, through the medium of a reputable publishing house, tends to arouse racial and religious misunderstandings and animosities.

Mr. Hendrick speaks of the Polish Jews in America as unassimilable and un-American. As a matter of fact, the Polish Jews and their children who have settled here, brought to America high ideals and intense love for their new home, particularly because of the religious persecutions and the discrimination they had suffered in some of the backward countries in Europe.

I would greatly appreciate it if you would be kind enough to give me for publication in The Jewish Tribune, your opinion concerning this important matter, in order to bring about a better understanding between Gentiles and Jews.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours



Herman Bernstein  
Editor