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307 S. Main St.,
Wichita, Kansas, 2/6/28.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

Did you get a package that I sent you last October? I put together five lectures, The Faith Of A Layman, Three Great Infidels, Infallibility Of The Bible, Lincoln And Fundamentalism, and Abraham Lincoln, Exemplar Of The Common Virtues, wove them into a more or less harmonious whole, put with them two large envelopes properly stamped, one of which was self-addressed, the other blank, and addressed them to you, thinking that you might like to read those that you had not read, and asked you, when you had read them, to send them to a publisher, whom you could select far better than I.

I have not heard from them. So long a time has elapsed that I fear that they have gone astray.

If they are lost, however, the loss is not irremediable, for I have the lectures, and kept a copy of the Preface. So if they can not be found they can be reproduced.

My daughter is still abroad. Some friends who went over last Fall tell me that she is in fine health, and spoke of a longing to visit Algiers again. Recently she painted a little girl, and was invited to spend a month with the parents at Marseilles. Possibly she will go across for a stay in Algiers. But I hope that she will come home before another winter.

I hope that this finds you in good health, enjoying a rest after writing the life of Judge Gary. A friend of mine, who knew him in his youth, is very much delighted with the work.

Very sincerely,

Wm. Brewster