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Miss Ida M. Tarbell  
120 E. 19th St.  
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

RE: NOVELETTE OF AARON BURR.

Very glad to receive yours of the 13th. The manuscript was also received.

In analyzing this matter, as we told you, we find your manuscript has about 7600 odd words, and the number of words in our novelettes are about 14,500 which allows us a certain leaway in illustrations. What would be your suggestion to fill up the balance of this volume.

If I am not mistaken, at the time your article was published, on Aaron Burr, in McClure's, there were other articles that made a series like the famous trials in history. What is going through our minds is should we make this entire novelette on the life of Aaron Burr or would it be better if we could obtain other articles similar to yours on some other famous trials. It may have been that these articles on the trials that the writer has in mind were from your pen. If not do you know anything about who wrote these articles or have you any articles previously published that you feel would take up the slack in this novelette of from 6,000 to 7,000 words.

We notice that this article was published in McClure's and not Scribners, and we appreciate that McClure's is out of business. Is there any way that you know of that we might get in touch with anybody who was formerly with McClure's, to find out if these original cuts have been destroyed or if they are still obtainable.

We take it for granted that the copyright on this article has expired long ago for all of our novelettes, when completed, bear the copyright in our name, and we do not want any complications on this matter.

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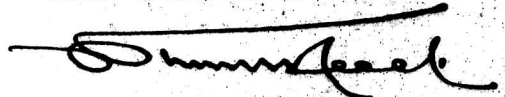
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You have written so many splendid good things, I am wondering if there are not other articles that you have written and published that in themselves would be good material for a novelette. We would appreciate the opportunity of bringing your writings to thousands of people so that in turn they could enjoy what you have produced, and for the modest price of 10¢.

Thank you very much for your interest and cooperation and we await your reply.

Very truly yours,

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William W. Reed

President.

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