East Northfield Mass.
Sept 24, 1936

Dear Miss Tarbell,

May that arm be quickly restored to the valuable work it has done for this our country. It has served us better.

I have mailed you Mr. Pitt's book. If you like it well enough to do so I wish you might be disposed to write him, the author, to that effect.

I suppose his devotion to the interests of a Medway of his family connection with it, have cost him a brilliant career at the bar in his native land of Ulster, Ireland.
Was a brilliant student at Trinity College, Dublin. I had expected to join the firm of two older brethren, already well up in the legal profession when the money magnet drew him to America, and held him ever after. But just now he is out of a job — who never yet had a job half the size of the man you might send him a cheer. Another new biography of the don has just appeared incited by the approaching Centennial. It is written by a Baptist minister of San Francisco — hardly not a Baptist! — who completed a yr ago a fine new life of the geas which was a good preparation for this new effort. The author secured valuable new material from the family of the youngest sister, who recently died in Wisconsin. His interpretation of modern religious development is the best yet produced. The whole book is immensely interesting. He writes like a trained journalist of the literary in its strict or religious aspects.
'This name is Day. I forget the rest of it, and the 14th is written by the
Judson Press, Philadelphia
Same time in the next day morning
if my health holds out. I am going to complete my own brief
estimate of the man in three articles on what he was, what
he did & how he did it;
the first was printed here last
spring in a local paper, but
I had in hand another, older
work, that takes precedence;
may never finish either;
Unless driven to a hospital
I am likely to remain in
health do me good no longer;
I shall be delighted to read
from my own Lincoln's chair,
most of the facts I have left
will go to the girls school.
Here, when I can read no more
the 'Holland'd Semi' founded
by D.C. M. Your delay needs
no forgiveness, I know how well
employed you always are,

Henry W. Rankin