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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,  
New York City.

My Dear Miss Tarbell:

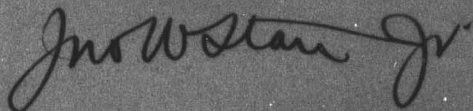
I am in receipt of yours of the 3rd and thank you for your courtesy. I have today written the Macmillan people.

It may interest you to know that I have ~~some~~ relatives living in Titusville who know you; they have mentioned you several times in the past as they know my interest in things Lincolnian.

Mrs. Isaac Shank is my grandmother's sister, and her daughter Mrs. Chase seemed to know you quite well when you were living there. They both spoke highly of you.

I have read with interest your articles in the Ladies' Home Journal and Colliers' of recent issue.

Cordially yours,



P.S. We have a doctor living in town here who took a trip to Europe and the Holy Land some years ago. He claims to have been in a party of which you were a member and to have subscribed some medicine for you when you were taken ill at the pyramids in Egypt. However, as he stated that "Miss Tarbell" had, I believe, conducted some religious exercises, I was wondering whether he might not have confused you with a religious writer of similar name.