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My dear Col. Scott:

When I had the pleasure of seeing you last spring in New York, we talked of a second interview in which I should put before you the use I had made of the information that you gave me in regard to the cooperation you received during the War from Judge Gary and his associates,

After my talk with you I had correspondence with ex-Secretary Baker and the War Department concerning the price fixing letter which you wrote to the Secretaries of War and the Navy early in the War, but it was not found. I talked with several people and examined Gen. Crozier's and Mr. Clarkson's books as well as a grist of material from the files of the Steel Corporation - all of this to make a very few paragraphs. As you appreciate, I know, from my talk with you, it is necessary to do a good deal of work to get even a short sentence right.

And now with this preface I am going to ask you to look over the enclosed pages. I am using them in a chapter covering the period from 1914 up to the close of the war in 1918. It was in this period, as you will remember, that the Circuit Court of New Jersey handed down its opinion in the Government suit against the Steel Corporation, refusing to dissolve it, and that the case was appealed by the Government to the Supreme Court, which heard it in March of 1917. The Supreme Court was unable to come to a decision and asked a re-hearing. Judge Gary was called to head the Steel Committee just at this moment. It is what I have to say from here on, about his cooperation with the Government in the War, that I am asking you to look over. I particularly want to know that the reference I am making to yourself is not objectionable.

If you have any objection, qualification or suggestion, please be assured, my dear Col. Scott, I shall consider your making it a favor.

Sincerely yours