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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
120 East 19th St.,
New York City.

My dear Miss Tarbell:-

Thank you very much for your letter of February 4th. I am delighted that you contemplate undertaking the life of Mr. Young. Anything we have here is of course at your disposal and I will be very pleased to have you come here on the trip North.

You will find some real material in Canton. For instance, as you probably know already, Owen Young lived for a short time in the jail there working for the sheriff and he told me once that he learned more by attending the St. Lawrence county board of supervisors than he ever learned anywhere else in his life. You must get in contact with someone who knows that St. Lawrence supervisors chapter.

Have you any objection to our saying that you contemplate writing a life of Mr. Young and have begun gathering material? I will submit entirely to your judgment in the matter but it would make a very interesting short news article for us.

With best wishes, I am,

Yours very truly,

Harold B. Johnson