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Dear Miss Tarbell:

You have probably been wondering what in the world has happened to me since you left the city. Truth to tell I have been struggling with a miserable flu germ, which has left me in that horrid state of being well enough to be about, yet utterly without actual ability to get anything done. I never felt so much like a squirrel playing with a wheel in the cage! Consequently my work has been largely composed of good intentions.

Today I became desperate and decided to send on the water power material to you, as it is not even indexed, or arranged by subject, but in chronological order. I am sending it under separate cover by express, as there is so much typewritten material, and first class mail would be prohibitive. I hope you get it in time to have it do you some good, and I apologize most heartily for the delay and failure to do my part.

I suppose you know all about the new Lincoln material which has been written up in the papers the past fortnight or so. I think I have clipped it, so if you don't, I'll send it on to you.

Hoping that you are enjoying your sojourn in the west, I am

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

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