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MRS. IDA M. TARBELL,

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My dear Madam:

I received this morning your favor of the 16th instant, requesting me to give you my experiences as a Confederate Soldier after the close of the Civil War.

I have a natural aversion to publishing to the world so much that concerns me personally, and, for that reason, as well as for the additional reason that I am very much engaged at this time, I cannot promise to do what you ask, although for many reasons, I would like to do so, as my experiences would, I think, furnish an interesting chapter to your history.

Although I have not received the copy of the magazine which you say you have sent me, I have already read with great pleasure your article in the April No. It is a very faithful and graphic picture as far as it goes, and I thank you very much for the impartial manner in which you have written about my old comrades and my section.

I take the liberty of enclosing you by the mail of to-day a copy of a report made by me to the last meeting of the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia, in which I have quoted from your life of Mr. Lincoln, which I also read with pleasure.

If I conclude to prepare the paper called for by your letter and can find the time to do so, it will afford me pleasure to do so.

I remain, madam, with great respect,
Your ob't servant,

Geo. L. Christian

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