

May 12, 1926.

Dr. A. N. Schlesinger,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Dr. Schlesinger:

Your note of May 2nd has found me here in Washington. I was just about writing you, asking if it was going to be possible for me to see Mr. Nevins' copy. I shall be in New York next week and will telephone him. I should like to have a reading of at least his concluding chapter, which, as I understand it is a resume of the book.

Thank you for sending me the study of the Rise of the Department Store. It certainly will be useful. I have no doubt it is among the pamphlets held until my return.

I want very much to have a talk with you soon. Are you to be in New York soon? If not I think I shall run up to Cambridge for a day or two. I have been much delayed in getting down to the book. I may need an assistant, and if it comes to that, I want to advise with you about a competent student; what I ought to pay him, etc.

I have been in Florida this winter and have found there material which I think will be valuable in the volume.

With all good wishes.

Cordially,