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Miss Ida M. Tarbell
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Dear Miss Tarbell

The task which you have undertaken in reference to an article on the case of Mrs. Knapp I imagine may not be a very easy or a very pleasant one since she has served her time, suffered, and passed into forgetfulness of the public.

Mrs. Knapp was never an employee of Cornell University or of the School of Home Economics, as it was then known. She was an employee only of the State Food Commission appointed by the Governor and which used our facilities to the extent needed in connection with food conservation. This brought Mrs. Knapp to Cornell frequently. I do not recall whether she took up her residence here during the time she was employed. Miss Rose and I were associated with her because we were also serving the interests of the food commission through the preparation of material sent out to the counties of the state organized for food conservation.

I assure you it will be a great pleasure some time soon if I should be in New York to call upon you. I shall let you know when I am there. We were delighted to have you with us at Cornell and hope you will come again.

Very cordially yours

Martha Van Rensselaer

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