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Ida M. Tarbell,
New York City; N. Y.,

My dear Miss Tarbell: I'm sending you, by this mail, a copy of my book, The Promoters, which is just off the press. You are so familiar with the real thing that I'm not at all certain you will care for a treatment of them in fiction. Still, I'm going to chance it, and to put the book in your way, anyhow; and I hope you may find something in it that you'll think worth while.

With best of wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours.

Wm Hamley Smith

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