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My dear Miss Feinstein:

I have your letter asking for my recollection of the relation of Peter Finley Dunne to the editorial department in The American Magazine, known as the Interpreter's House.

When John S. Phillips took over the American he established this editorial department. Mr. Dunne was already on the staff and the intention was that all contributing editors including Ray Stannard Baker, Lincoln Steffens, and myself, as well as Dunne should contribute to the new department. As it turned out Mr. Dunne was the chief contributor and Mr. Phillips was the chief editor. The rest of us contributed, but not so regularly. It is true that Dunne wrote several "Dooley" articles for The American Magazine, but his best work in my judgment was his contribution to the Interpreter's House.

I hope this answers your question.

Very sincerely yours

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