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January 26, 1923.

Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
120 E. Nineteenth St.,
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

Referring to your letter of October 11th last, I called at Leary's Old Book Store, owned by my friend, former Governor Stuart, the other day, and inquired for a copy of your History of the Standard Oil Company.

I was informed that the book was out of print, and that the Standard Oil Company had bought up all they could get hold of, and the other copies in existence were very closely held, and at a very high price.

I am planning a History of the development of our great Corporations and Trusts, and would like to have a talk with you concerning the possibility of your cooperation. I will be glad to come to New York on any day that you may appoint, and call at a time that is most convenient to you.

We are now paying royalties to Authors at a rate as high as $15,000 a year, and I am developing a plan for the Standard Corporation that I hope will insure compensation that will attract the ablest talent in the world. I am transferring everything that I have in the world to this Corporation, to promote a practical solution of the Labor Problem, that will insure steady employment, steady business, and eliminate strikes.

Faithfully yours,
JOHN PARKER, Editor.

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