North Head, Grand Manan,
N.B., Canada

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Dear Miss Tarbell:

Mrs. Stanley Resor has written to me from the J. Walter Thompson Co. in New York, asking me if I would call your attention to the distinguished achievments of Dr. Florence Sabin, in connection with the Pictorial Review annual achievment award. Mrs. Resor feels that so far this award has rather stressed the work of women in educational and

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special field has not perhaps sufficiently taken account of the contributions made by women to scientific work. She has for years been interested in promoting different kinds of careers for women and in broadening the field of women's work. She feels very strongly that a recognition like that of the Pictorial Review award would not only be fitting and just in the case of a great woman scientist like Dr. Sabin. But would also

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encourage and stimulate others to enter the less customary careers.

I am enclosing a statement from Dr. Simon Flexner and one from Dr. Louis H. Weed of Johns Hopkins in regard to Dr. Sabin's achievements which perhaps you will be kind enough to read.

This material, together with Mrs. Rose's request, reached me after a considerable delay, owing to the fact that I was travelling in Canada when they were sent to

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sure. I hope that this delay does not make them come to you too late.

Miss Cather and I are spending a pleasant summer on the island of Grand Manan in the Bay of Fundy. It is beautiful sea-country here.

Please do not trouble to acknowledge this note, for I know of the many demands on your time.

With kindest regards,

Faithfully yours,

Edith Lewis

July 25, 1921

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Extract from letter of Dr. Simon Flexner, dated May 20, 1929.

I suppose that Dr. Sabin is the most eminent of living woman scientists and her work between 1897 and 1928 is of a most meritorious character. In view of the number and significance of her scientific publications she was elected a few years ago to the National Academy of Science, - the first and only woman elected to that body.

Dr. Sabin's contributions are to the anatomy of the central nervous system, to the embryology of blood vessels and lymphatic organs, to the origin of the blood corpuscles and latterly to the pathology of tuberculosis.

Although these titles sound very technical in every case the knowledge she derived has led to a better understanding of the anatomy, physiology and pathology of the body in health and disease and hence has been not only of theoretical but practical value.

It is, I should suppose, of the nature of conspicuous social service, to have added essentially to the knowledge of our bodies, well and ill, and thus to have helped make them better instruments for the fulfillment of the purposes of society as a whole.

I do not understand that you wish a list of her published papers; if you do it can be sent.

I am sorry not to send this to you more neatly. But it is impossible to get business stationery on this Island

Paul Lewis

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