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Dear Miss Tarbell:

First of all, my very sincere apologies for this long delay in writing you about "The Poor Ye Always Have with You." I have just returned from an unexpectedly prolonged absence, and read the manuscript last night and again this morning, hoping that a second reading would suggest some way in which the essay could be adapted to our pattern. I am afraid that it just can't be done, though I've come to this decision reluctantly because of the many readers who, like myself, are inevitably captivated by your charm. My only consolation is that you will probably have no difficulty in placing the piece elsewhere.

I am most grateful to you, and regret keenly our inability to fit this article into our limited program for originals.

Sincerely yours,

DeWitt Wallace

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[See Ida T Article File for manuscripts.]

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