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Miss Ida M. Tarbell
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My Dear Miss Tarbell:

You undoubtedly recall the twenty-second of June on which day the first commencement exercises of Van Hornesville High school were held. It was a day fraught with significance for the school children, the residents, but above all, for Owen D. Young himself.

I was covering the event at Van Hornesville on that day for The Evening Times of Little Falls, which newspaper has a wide circulation in this community. This was the first time I met Mr. Young personally and also had the great pleasure of being introduced to you by Mr. Young.

Inspired by the unpretentiousness and modesty of Mr. Young, I wrote the enclosed poem about him this summer. Here I am describing two Mr. Youngs—one as the world knows him and the other as the neighborly gentleman of Van Hornesville. Beginning with the World war, I have traced his activities from that disaster to the modern days. I am submitting the manuscript to you in the hope that you can present it to The American magazine in connection with the wonderful biography that you have written about him. You have shown a keen insight into Mr. Young's character, therefore I am confident that you will analyze the poem sympathetically and comprehensively.

If you consider the manuscript unworthy of publication or if you can give me some advice concerning it, I will greatly appreciate your doing so. Kindly return the poem to the above address, if you think it unpublishable.

Very truly yours

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