

"Tuckaway"

3128 N. Pennsylvania Street

Indianapolis, Indiana

November 6, 1939

Miss Ida M. Tarbell

120 E. 19th Street

New York City, New York

My dear Miss Tarbell:

I am enclosing a piece of paper and am asking you to be kind enough to inscribe it, to be placed in your autobiography and given to the Honorable and Mrs. Meredith Nicholson. They were here for dinner the other night and in looking over my books, he was much interested in the autobiography of William Lyon Phelps and in yours.

He was in a reminiscent mood and told me many interesting things which have occurred during the long years of contact with people in public life and outstanding in every phase of creative art and intellectual and professional activity.

I felt that something of great interest and value would be lost to the public if he did not write his autobiography which he consented to do. I have

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an original picture by Louis Kronberg given to me as a palmistry souvenir in which Mr. Nicholson was deeply interested, and I finally agreed to give him the picture when he gave me an inscribed copy of his autobiography!

He spoke so highly of you and of the work and in glancing through the book was so intensely interested in it because of his personal contact with many of the people and his intimate knowledge of the facts!

Hoping you are well and with my sincere liking and admiration, I am,

Cordially,

Walter S. Munn

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