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Dear Miss Tarbell

Is there any statute of limitations governing the expression of gratitude. If so I have probably overslipped it. Nevertheless my memory of the entertaining evening you gave us a month ago is so vivid that I wish to observe that we had the time of our lives. We have been very complacent ever since, wrapped up in contemplation of our own wisdom evidenced by the ease with which we were induced

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to stay over. I am exceedingly glad to have met Langlois and moreover it is something to have seen the most defeated candidate for the presidency of our times. Moreover I would rather see the author of the Standard Oil Company as I see you are considered to be by some foggy editors, than any number of foreign savants and domestic men of straw. I consider this moderation of statement.

Can't you come up and see us. We want you to. Bring that sister of yours along if you can get your hands on her. At

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would wipe all stains away if we could have another Olympian talk together.

I expect now to go to Chicago for the meeting. I hope when the time comes you will go too.

I am sending you a copy of an unfassioned address which I delivered recently at a great crisis in the local history. I can commend the print and paper.

Come up and bring your skates.

Sincerely

Charles Howard Hoover.

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