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Dear Miss Tarbell.

The above clipping sent
me by my father contains a truth I
have long felt but been unable to
express as beautifully. Once again
I enclose it enclosed. One of my
pleasant tasks in life now is to
cut from the papers that enter the house-
hold the many references to my distin-
guished friend. The task takes most
of my time and precludes much
creative work on my part but it
is so agreeable that I do not regret

to labor spent. Some of these clippings
I enclose, as food of my statement
and as some of them you may not
have seen. Your name seems to be
becoming as much of a household
word as that of Hamilton or yet Mahan
or the only Theodore. I am keeping
myself consciously within bounds when
I say ^{that} in my opinion it would be well
for the country if it should succeed
in completely obliterating those two
wordy old products of the advertiser's
art. Up to date you have only
about one false note and that
is your reference to marriage. I
deeply deplore your utterances, but

inwards, against the one perfect
institution in the world. You must
come up here shortly and explain
your irreverent criticism. We
absolutely count on your appearing
here if ever the snow ceases to fall
and the birds speak forth. Among
other matters we must discuss
ways and means for the summer
as Mrs. Foster informs me you are
to stay in this country. What being the
case we must meet and have
a quiet fling.

Everything goes well with us, except
that I am politically much disgruntled.
As the Republican party is a united

sefulchre and the sphenocratic sounding
mass there seems to be no place
for a high minded man like myself.
I may join the Order of the White Rose
and work for the restoration of the
legitimate King.

I am working on my history of the
nineteenth century for Vol + and
expect to be at it all summer. Then
I refer to all the fame of Gibbon
and Thucydides fade. My wife joins
me in sending the warmest regards.
You must come up during May.
Hold yourself in readiness for the
summons.

Very sincerely

Charles of Harn.

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