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ALDINE ASSOCIATION,
FIFTH AVENUE AND 18TH STREET.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

News - news - all about the great robbery - Mexico! Dunbaday is suing the McClure place with full authority, written authority, from S.S. which is good during S.S.'s absence & may be continued. That is straight & here it from Churchill, who saw it & also from Schwindler, our printer, who learned it from Dunbaday himself. Schwindler says it's a form of attorney. The building is stripped. Churchill is tired - resigned because the Brady brought pressure. He had made a report on them to our Davis report. They discontinued

to sell the bonds, stopped Churchill from going to Detroit to see a man who had written about them several times. The cut rate subscription clubbing offer was done against the judgment of the subscription man & after I had promised to keep out.

This was fixed by Doubleday. We had arranged to buy at a fair price the old expirations – names of subscribers who had not renewed – & Doubleday vetoed it. They intend to make us market the bonds. Would be willing to sell if they could sell all. Doubleday gave Schwab the impression that they were in a bad way. Apparently he helped them get money for payment on building. He tried Schwab by offering to sell the building & land to the Long Island R.R. Co for what it cost.

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His hunting the property of their stories of bad conditions. Sam blamed me for not getting rid of Bondy — claimed that I had the power. Oh it's a lovely mess & I guess we'll have to suffer perhaps. But when Richardson comes back we'll see what to do. They are certainly in a panic over there — Schneider said so. He tried me too. Once the cosmopolitan people were terribly disturbed when they learned there we had the American.

I may add too — oh this has been a day rich in gossip — that Colver is a veritable skin. He fooled us all right. He did Mrs Leslie & then Dreiser all along the line. They hate him at the office.

Simon is getting the editorial debit together — passed up with a jolly long thought & shows the whole thing. Looks like a good show to me.

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I'm still bothering over Baker paragraph but it's not right yet. Hope to finish it tomorrow.

That day seemed to have done me a lot of good, thank you kindly

Faithfully Yours

John S Phillips

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