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Miss Tarbell

My dear Miss Tarbell:-

I am not a member
of any of the clubs which
are doing you honor during
your visit here. but because
of your great Standard
Oil Series, I feel that I know
you perhaps far better than
nine-tenths of the women
who will hear you talk to-
day.

The clubs will give you
as it were the Keys to this
miniature City, while I will
give you the Keys to my heart
and tell you frankly that in
my opinion you are, by
reason of your candid, frank

utterances, your eclectic justice
and broad-minded reasoning
the greatest Pennsylvanian of
the present-time regardless of
sex. I hope sometime to have
the opportunity of reading all
you have said of that great-
woman Madame Roland.

Before I was twelve years old
I had known and loved her
and when my ~~son~~ ~~and~~ only
~~child~~ was born I named him
for her, giving him my family
name of Greene for his middle
name. — Roland Greene. (I will
add that his clear mind, body
and soul have proved him
worthy of that name. I hope that
he may have the pleasure of meeting
you at Ligonier — personally
as well as hearing you speak.)
To return to myself, before the age
mentioned above — at too early
an age to absorb them except in the
most inadequate way. I had read
Paine's "Crisis", "Age of Reason"
and "Rights of Man", as well as
Von Humboldt's "Cosmos", "The

"Study of Sociology" (Spencer) as
Hawkins' "Hercent of Man" and
many similar books all a
part of my dear father's library
so that you see I have lived
all my life with the best there
is in democracy and am
thus prepared to say - and
truly believe it - that - you are
to-day one of its best living
exponents. Wishing you
the limits of life's span
and knowing that - you
will always live in the
heart of America's and the civ-
lized world's thinking people
I am most sincerely yours
"Truly Yours" (M. G. G.) Mary G. Smith.
Iowa, Pa June 20, 1916.