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Dear Miss Tarbell:

You know that I have thought of you in the sorrow that has broken Your family circle, but I want to tell you - I can realize all it has meant to you. and my heart has grieved for you. I happened to be reading

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again yesterday those
lines of Brownings
"Why, Tom! was what I wanted to
turn o'er
Within my mind such book.
Sit more & more
By heart each word. Too much
to learn at first;" —
It is true of a life long
companionship of sisters
& daughters - as of any
other friends or lovers. &
I like so to make much
of the gift there may be
in Sorrow's hand - and
not dwell only as our
sore & aching hearts
in their weakness are
wont to do, on what she
takes from us. —

I hope we shall see
you out here this Spring
- and Spring seems
really coming - if not
truly come. Most Sincerely
Frances F. Cleveland.

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