

Muscogee Road
Atlanta, Georgia

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My dear Miss Tarbell:

I thank you from
my heart for your letter, -
it was just what I wanted
and needed. I am only
afraid that you were too
painful in your criticism
and too lavish in your
praise, but both have
been like water on parched
ground, and if there is
any thing in the biography -

or in me, - it ought to show
the result. For I do want
the larger audience of
which you speak. His
own friends knew and
appreciated my husband,
and had he been spared
a little longer I believe
he would have been known
and appreciated in a
far wider field, - indeed
I have had evidences of
that fact.

I have already begun
on the revisions you suggest.

The superfluity of direct quotations
 is my besetting sin - the fault of
 the amateur legal but in my own mind which
 I take it that such critics ^{instead of quoting him, or giving by} _{any}

the one for L. Q. C. Lamar in
 the first Chapter, and my
 Father-in-law's sketch of
 Joseph Rucker should not be
 paraphrased - But don't take
 the trouble to answer this, I
 must not love to you for every
 step after you have shown the
 way so clearly and unmistakably.

I am only too glad to have your
 the opinion in the mid-
 west, Hil Case, and am glad
 you copied what I had of it.
 There was a dissenting opinion
 by Justices McKenna and Van De-
 Grafter, which I did not quote, as
 it would have involved going too deeply
 into the argument.

I am looking forward so eagerly
 to seeing you in November - I don't
 yet know the day of the month that
 you are to speak.
 Always gratefully and affectionately
 Amanda C. Lamar