34 Gramercy Park

My dear Miss Tarbell:—

At such a time words are of little avail, and while I know it only too well, I must send you a word of greeting & sympathy, because the loss of my own dear brother is so recent, my heart aches for any one who has to go through the same trial — Work is the blessing that tides us over the first hard days, that I know you have a-plenty. May it, & the assurance of the affection & sympathy of your friends keep a little more —

faithfully yours

September 6th. Emilie Van Beil

Digital Image, 2009. The Ida M. Tarbell Collection, 1890-1944, Allegheny College Pelletier Library