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Miss Ida Tarbell
At Her Farm Home

Dear Miss Tarbell:-

I have just completed the reading of your two interesting and helpful books; "ALL IN A DAYS WORK" and "THE WASHINGTON, D. C. CONFERENCE."

You have certainly been privliged to travel over so much of this old world, and to come in personal touch with so many of its great men, and noted characters.

I am pleased that you are privliged to still live in this interesting period of a general world waring period. I consider it a great priviledge to live and be in posession of my faculties to daily witness the changing panorama.

I am taking the liberty to write and tell you how greatly I enjoyed being taken back to dear old Chautauqua, where I spent two happy summers in the study of New Testament Greek. There I met Bishop Simpson often and Prof. Mc Affee of Ireland. The Bishop made a deep impress upon me. One day, he said:"Brother Starr there are three things we want here at Chautauqua; LIGHT, BREDTH and SWEETNESS." That statefollowed me for eighteen years in Australasia, and since.

Prof. Mc Affee told us of an incident in Dublin, He stated that an Inglish gentleman who was riding on an omnabus asked the driver;"What can we English do to please you Irish people, anyway? The driver replied;" Sure sir; We don't want to be plased." That certainly was a correct answer.

I personally knew Mrs. S. M. I. Henry, of W. C. T.U. notriaty, and we wished to inquire if your friend.'Mary Henry' was her daughter?

I wish you could have been with us in Adelaide, So. Australia during the formation of the Australiasian United States. You certainly could have produced an interesting reproduction of American 1776. Patrick Henry and others were reproduced in the vociferous speakers, in behalf of 'RELIGIOUS LIBETY. The President of the Convention, Primier of South Australia, was a perfect re-production of Abraham Lincoln; 6 feet and about four inches tall, and as angluar.He was evidently the controling influence in the Convention.

I decided to call on him. He received me most graciously."Come right in Mr. Starr; YouR'n American, arn't you?" Sure, I replied. "So am I" he said. How do you harmonize that with being Primier of So. Australia, I enquired? "Oh, thatts easy, he said. I came over here when about eighteen years of age, to complete My Law studies, in English law, and fortunately joined the most influential law form in Melbourne.

Soon after entering upon public work, I was sent to the Parliement. That revealed their good sence, and from there I passed on to the primiersgip.

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I had taken out naturalization papers, early, as I saw that they needed some American blood and 'Pep' and decided that I would like to give it to them.

"Now, I know what you are here for, Mr. Starr; it is to watch these religious Pharesees, who are so determined to get religious legislation into our constitution. They are determined that Sunday sacredness should be recognized in the Constitution. But you need have no fears of their succeeding. We will sit on them. We are in for the brodest kind of religious Liberty. We propose that men shall be free to Keep Friday, or Saturday, or Sunday, or no day, as they individually prefer. And that no religious sect shall be able to co-erce anyone else to observe their day or accept their religious tenats.

" I know your position," He said."I have all your works, and the position of the S. D. Adventists is correct." and he took me to his librairy, and there he pointed to neraly all of our published works. The UNITED STATES in PROPHECY, By Uriah Smith; THE GREAT CONTROVERSY BETWEEN CHRIST and SATAN.and others

I decided that they finally adopted the finest Constitution in the world; And indeed, I became quite Anglocized during those eighteen years among those fine English folk; ThenMy wife was a lovely English lady, born in Tombridge, England, and reared in the United States; My English Queen, for fifty years. I now have aNorweigian Princess; Olga Ingara Berg-Starr; one of the finest houskeepers you ever met. Call and see us and see.

Your Briand at the Washington Conference, I think properly did the French delegation real justice. They deserved it. Briand's attitude, represented the impression I had cherished for many years, and pretty nearly removed all the nice views your years in France had awakened in me. But I still believe that there are many fine French. I certainly took to Lloyd George in his Priniersgip during the World war.

And I think that Musolinia is by far the supieor Dictator in Europe. You certainly had not read Emil Ludwick's Conversations with Musolini before you had yours with him, or you would not have been the least nervous. If you have not read this book yet, you have a rare treat ahead. Ludwick is wise and bold and nery tactful.

Now my greatest interest is the result of your search after God. That is the supreme matter. I started on that search in 1776 and had not gone far until I felt a call for Evangelism after the Moody order. It was my privilege to visit the Moody and Sankey Revival in Chicago. Thre I spent some weeks, and saw Whittle and Bliss also. Bliss was one of the most lovable christians I have ever met. His rosy red cheeks, black beard and curlly hair and contageous smile, was a constant sermon and a fine reccommendation for true christianity.

I hope that you can find a little interest in some of my efforts at writing, in the enclosed pamphlets.

Mrs. Starr joine me in wishing you many more years of a a very happy life restful I was 22 in 1876.Your friend. G. B. Starr

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