Tacoma, Washington
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Mrs. Ida Tarbell
New York City

Dear Madam:-

I read your article in the Delineator and I think you have sold your birth right as a writer for a mess of pottage. I have written an article on the subject, and while I did not, with a view of answering you, it having been written before yours was published, and yet I think it is a complete answer.

While I practiced law twenty-five years in Pennsylvania, and was presidential elector for both Gen. Neal Dow and Ex-Gov. St. John, and have fought the liquor traffic from every point of the compass in the courts and on the platform and wrote a book on the subject containing 155 pages, in which I proved the liquor traffic to have been unconstitutional before the Eighteenth Amendment was passed, it only emphasizing the Constitution as originally adopted, and yet the Delineator would not publish my article, perhaps not if I offered to pay for it, and in that case, they would add a foot note: "Paid Advertisament." The liquor traffic was only here by sufferance, the Eighteenth Amendment merely emphasizing the Constitution as originally adopted. National prohibition will stand as long as the federal constitution remains a foundation to our government.

Yours truly,

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