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Miss Ida M. Tarbell

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Dear Miss Tarbell:

In a recent conversation an acquaintance told me that you had ~~recently~~ returned from Egypt and that you are now interested in some of the questions pertaining to public lands, their reclamation and speculation which to a certain extent has defeated the original objects of the law.

You may recall possibly that we talked this over together some years ago in connection with the work which my class-mate Hugh MacRae was doing at Wilmington, N. C. in the way of land settlement.

My long-time friend and associate, Hiram Newton Savage, has lately returned from two trips around the world during which he visited all of the principal irrigation works and in particular went to the head waters of the Nile, later discussing the situation with Lord Allenby. He finished by a trip to South America. I am expecting him back from California before long.

If there is any way in which he or I can be of assistance in connection with the studies you are making, I hope you will call on us.

Cordially yours,

F. H. Newell

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