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Dear Sirs:

I hope you will pardon the delay in replying to your letter of the 16th of December. I have been away on a vacation for some weeks and my correspondence has been held here during that time.

I enclose a little biographical sketch which I hope will be sufficient for your needs.

Very truly yours,

Ida M. Tarbell

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES FOR THE NATIONAL CYCLOPÆDIA OF AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY.

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1. If your biography has been published, state where and when.

2. Give your full name, spelling out the middle one. [To insure the utmost accuracy, *print* the name.] Ida Minerva Tarbell

3. Give date and place of birth. Erie County, Pa. Nov. 5, 1857.

4. Give your father's name in full. Franklin Summer

   Date of his birth and death? X

   His occupation? X

   For what was he distinguished?

5. Give your mother's maiden name in full. Esther Ann. McCullough

   Date of her birth and death?

   Names of her parents?

   Their place of residence?

   Her father's occupation?

6. Give name of earliest American ancestor, and if known, his residence previous to coming to America, and date of his landing. X

7. Give genealogy of your family in America in this table arranged by generations:

   1st.....and his wife.....

   2d.....and his wife.....

   3d.....and his wife.....

   4th.....and his wife.....

   5th.....and his wife.....

   6th.....and his wife.....

   7th.....and his wife.....

   8th.....and his wife.....

8. State important facts regarding any of them, which you wish mentioned in your sketch, such as offices held, public or military services performed in the Indian, Revolutionary or 1812 wars. X

9. What schools, colleges and professional schools did you attend? Titusville (Pa.) High School; Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa.

10. If a college graduate, give name of college and date of graduation. Allegheny College, 1880.

11. State any other university degrees you have received, with dates, and names of universities.

12. Where, when and with whom did you first engage in business? Associate Editor of The Chautauquan, Meadville, Pa. 1883.

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13. What positions in your regular calling have you occupied, including that at present held?

14. With what other business corporations and enterprises have you been connected, and in what capacities?

15. If an author, name books and give dates of publication. [Enclose any critiques suitable to quote in the sketch.] Madame Roland; Life of Napoleon; Life of Abraham Lincoln.

16. If an inventor, mention notable inventions, specifying wherein they are improvements on previous devices.

17. If an artist or sculptor, give catalogue of your important works, with dates of production.

18. Note any achievements or noteworthy incidents in your professional career.

19. If a military man, give particulars of company, regiment, etc.; engagements participated in; whether wounded, taken prisoner, etc.; rank when discharged, and other notable incidents.

20. What public positions of honor or responsibility have you held?

21. Names of clubs, social or learned societies of which you are, or have been, a member, with offices held in any of them.

22. Are you a member of any church? If so, which one?

23. What are your favorite pursuits and pastimes, and occupations other than your business?

24. Give any other facts that may assist in rendering the biography more adequate.

25. When and where were you married?

Wife's maiden name?

Her residence before marriage?

Name of her father?

[If married more than once, give same facts in each case, with dates of death.]

26. Give number and names of children.

Name Ida M. Tarbell

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Born: November 5, 1857, on a farm of her maternal grandfather, Walter Raleigh Mc Cullough, in Erie County, Pennsylvania.

Graduated in 1874 from Titusville High School; took a post graduate course at the same institution, graduating in 1875. Entered Allegheny College at Meadville, Pa., in the fall of 1876 and graduated in 1880. In the fall of 1880 took position of preceptress of the Poland Union Seminary at Poland, Ohio, where she remained two years. In 1882 returned to Titusville. In 1883 went to Meadville, Pa., as an associate editor of The Chautauquan, where she remained until 1891, when she went to Paris for study, remaining three years, during which time she took lectures in the Sorbonne and College de France and contributed to several American magazines and newspapers.

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