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Miss Ida Tarbell,
120 East 19th St.,
New York City.

Dear Miss Tarbell,

In case you have not heard from Mary Austin, may I say that she writes me that she is just a little disappointed in both books. However, she adds that she thinks the Biography quite interesting, and she says, furthermore, that if she were a publisher, she would most assuredly take a chance on it. She finds the essay more relevant to the contest requirements. But she is wondering whether or not it is worth such a large award.

The moment I receive the two manuscripts in question from Mrs. Austin, I'll get them to you and to Mr. Garland.

I have a letter from Mr. White, saying again how lovely he thinks the Biography is as a story. I shall await your reaction with great interest.

Sincerely,

Jane Seales

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