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Henry Lanier, Esq., Secretary,
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My dear Mr. Lanier:-

Sarah Queen

Miss Tarbell has asked my consideration for a paper that you have sent to Moffat, Yard & Co. requesting them to execute it. I think, on second thought, you will appreciate that any request for such a paper should be addressed to Miss Tarbell, as it is with her rights that you are asking Moffat, Yard & Co. to deal. Of course, I am not advising Moffat, Yard & Co. in the matter and cannot determine their action directly, but Miss Tarbell cannot consent to any such arrangement as the one suggested, nor consent to the making of such an arrangement by Moffat, Yard & Co.

I have not yet received from Doubleday Page & Co. the assignment of copyrights which I sent you on the 27th of September, a month ago today. I had a letter from one of the officers of your Company, saying that the paper would be sent shortly, but have heard nothing further since until this request that Miss Tarbell surrender these valuable rights for nothing after paying Doubleday Page & Co. an exorbitant figure for a transfer of the books and plates. I must confess that I am both surprised and disappointed that you should allow a request of such a character to emanate from your office. I am not surprised particularly at the attitude of The McClure Company as I have become familiar with their methods. I think I must ask you to have the paper I sent executed immediately and then if Miss Tarbell desires to confer any such extraordinary rights on

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Yours very truly,

Selden Bacon.