ret to Miss Tarbell

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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
The American Magazine,
341 Fifth Avenue,
New York.

My dear Miss Tarbell:-

I remember very pleasantly my afternoon with you and am glad to have you knock at my door, although I may not be able to give you all that you want. Although I went through a quantity of Rush papers, I found no letters of Mrs. Rush in which she gave her opinion upon public matters. The sources of my information were really the recollections of persons who had known Mrs. Rush and were so good as to talk to me about her. All of these persons, with one or two exceptions, are dead and gone. There is only one person now to whom I could go for information about Mrs. Rush,- a very old lady, a friend of mine. I shall try to see her and ask her about Mrs. Rush's opinions upon the subject you mention.

I wrote a couple of magazine articles about Mrs. Rush and her Salon for the Lippincott, and if there is anything fuller in these than in my book, I will have the items copied for you, allowing you to pay for the copy. I have recently moved and in looking over my papers if I find anything bearing upon your subject I will send it to you. If you use some of this material I shall be glad to have credit, as my work is original, having been gathered from the recollections of friends, which is the case with the material in many of my books---my Life of Martha Washington (Scribner's) and my Washington book,- Social Life in the Early Republic.

People have been very generous to me in the line of historical information and I naturally feel generously disposed towards sister writers, especially toward such good workers as Miss Tarbell. I should not care to make a charge for any information that I may send you but I should like in return to have a word of counsel from you about placing some magazine articles. Your magazine connections have been and are so important, while I have been spending my time almost exclusively upon books, and consequently have few magazine connections. Just now, however, I have brought home from abroad some valuable material for travel sketches from the Dolomites and elsewhere, and some especially interesting

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notes about the English home of the Washington family, which I am making into magazine articles. I shall, of course, be glad to offer you something for the American later on.

Miss Hunter has been telling me of her conference with you about Mrs. Hale. I wrote an article about Mrs. Hale some time ago from the recollections of her son, Dr. Hale,--would you care to see that?

I shall try to see Mrs. Rush's friend soon, but as she is an old lady, I have to consider her times and seasons.

Believe me

Very sincerely yours,

Anne Hollingsworth Wharton

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