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"We, here in Illinois, should feel especially proud of the provision of the Missouri Compromise, excluding slavery from what is now Kansas; for an Illinois man, Jesse B. Thomas, was its father; and Henry Clay, who is credited with the authorship of the compromise, in general terms, did not even vote for that provision, but only advocated the ultimate admission by a second compromise; and Thomas was, beyond all controversy, the real author of the "slavery restriction" branch of the compromise."

Miss Tarbell - The Report of the above in the version you have is too obscure. I have clarified it as above, which I deem much better, and I think all critics will.

Yours Truly
H. C. Whitney



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