

August 15th, 1930.

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

Dear Miss Tarbell:-

Mr. Dickerman has just written
me as follows:-

"I have just received word from Miss Arnold
that she does not know the Isaac Arnold
mentioned in your recent letter, and does
not believe he is a family relative."

I have Mr. Meserve's report, for
which I am greatly obliged both to him and to you.
Apparently he himself has not yet completely recon-
ciled the questions raised by the similarity of my
portrait to his Schneider picture. They certainly
are similar but how one can be taken from the other
is a problem. Apparently Dr. Holland thought it
was impossible. While it is not within my province
to dispute Mr. Meserve, the portrait to me seems to
be an original positive. I see no evidence of blurring
such as he suggests.

At any rate, the whole matter has
been very interesting and whatever the portrait may
be it is certainly contemporary.

I shall be interested in such use
as you can make of it.

Very sincerely yours,

