

Putnam, Conn.,

Nov. 12, 1914.

Miss Ida W. Tarbell.

381 Fourth Ave., N.Y.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

Many thanks for the
copies of unpublished Smier's letters
duly at hand.

The one to H. B. Jewell I con-
sider very important, as well as interest-
ing; the others also, are interesting and
very desirable in a compilation as
showing Mr. Smier's old-time friendships
and his personal conditions.

I had not considered pub-
lishing the letters until they appear in
book form; in fact my literary judge-
ment has not had sufficient experience
to make a selection of letters for a
magazine article. A little later, after
I had come in possession of two other

lots of unpublished letters which I have
I have become known to me through the aid
of friends, perhaps I can arrange to
have you look them over and select
such as you desire for a magazine
article.

I was in A. S. on Oct. 20-22
to stir up the dealers in autograph letters
and procure their aid and interest in
my work. I expect some assistance
from this source.

Appreciating your interest

I am

Very gratefully yours,
Gilbert H. Tracy.