

St Tropez, Var. Jan 17/29

Dear Tehodore.

I wrote you a week ago to day quoting parts of the news-paper material you sent me as being absolutely misrepresentations. I suppose the letter will reach you alright.

To day I can send you something which will save you effort in searching. It is a copy of Reedy's article "The Daughter of a Dream" By a strange coincident I received it from a friend in Detroit. Here are also two items in the "Mirror" you might look up which will show you the spirit of dear old Reedy and even more so the rotten attitude of the St Louis papers towards me. Both appeared in the "Mirror of 1914, one Dec 14th, a comparison between Haude Adams and myself. The other in the issue of March 9th, 1918, page 2. I happen to have a few old "Mirrors" so I looked them up.

If you really want to get an idea of the ravings of the press against me you should have your secretary go through the files of the Buffalo and Chicago papers of 1901. For it was in connection with the killing of McKinley that I came as nearly losing my life as I ever did in all the years in America. Yes, and the Philadelphia papers of 1903, 1909 must have a tremendous amount of stuff about my two free speech fights which aroused very considerable attention. However you'd have a big job were you to look up the American press about me over the long period of 35 years. It will save you all that trouble if you will only go through the volumes of "Mother Earth" between 1906 and 1907. They contain all the fights and persecutions I had to face and battle against including the very narrow escape of being lynched in St Diago in 1912.

Please do not think that I am luke warm to your splendid intention of writing a sketch about me. I appreciate your effort and your desire to do me justice. more than words can express. But with my autobiography constantly hammering in my brain I cannot spare the time to write you about a number of events of importance. Really from all the stuff I suggested you will be able to find enough around which you can write whatever is in your mind, I do hope you will not misunderstand.

Let me hear from you again soon.

Cordially,
W.D.

By the way, will you return the little leaflet inclosed here. I have no other copy.

*You must know Miss Drysdale of the Praying
Full Brotherhood. She was closely connected with
an myself in all work I could give you*

*W.D. not by the
many interesting accounts. Many more about you.
Dec 14*