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Miss Ida M. Tarbell
919 3d St. N.W. Washington D.C.
My dear Miss Tarbell,

Yours of 28 is at hand and I hasten to say that I shall be very willing to aid you in securing a copy of our old Lincoln portrait. There certainly will be charges from us. I have an impression that in order to produce a reasonably good copy of what the lithograph was, it will be necessary to make a photo and retouch it for half tone, owing partly to the yellow back ground, and also to the fact that the shading was not marked very heavy originally. But your photo artists will understand all this when they receive the picture.

Lithography was quite in its infancy in this Country when this picture was made, and a power lithographic printing press was unknown. Both
impression being inked and "jelled" by hand. Soon after we had this print at the market photos of Mr. Lincoln with full beard began to appear and that killed our little creature, but that old hand press has been superceded by several large steam presses which do much better work and very many times as much in a day.

Because these reminiscences which the matter brings to mind.

Yours truly
Milton Bradley