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

Dear Miss Tarbell:

Rather, I should apologize for imposing upon the time of such a busy woman. Your letter is a real help in giving this point its proper weight and value. I find on further perusal of Chapman's old book that he says that the Knoxville Republican, edited by John Winter, was the first newspaper to advocate the nomination of Lincoln. I imagine that this old book, though perhaps inaccurate in places, is mainly based on the recollections of living settlers, and so is dependable for its spirit at least, if not in all details. It is certainly the most readable of a long line of Knox County histories.

Yours cordially,

Earnest Elmo Calkins

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