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New York, Aug. 6, 1930

Mr. Oliver R. Barrett,
Gooch, Sullivan & Hicks,
310 So. Michigan Ave.
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Barrett:

I wonder if you will add another to your many favors to me and tell me if you know anything of the original of the George Schneider portrait of Lincoln. When I was working on my "Life of Lincoln" back in the '90s, I saw Mr. Schneider in Chicago. He gave me a photograph, which he told me was made in 1854 made at his request, when Mr. Lincoln was visiting in Chicago. This picture which is one of the frontispieces to my "Early Life of Lincoln" was, as I understood it, a photograph, but I recently had the question raised whether or not it might not have been a daguerreotype. Can you help me? It will be adding another to the long list of services.

I am enclosing a small photograph of the picture.

with all good wishes,

Very sincerely yours,