July 11th, 1930.

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

Dear Miss Tarbell:-

Anent our recent correspondence, I am enclosing herewith photograph of the smaller of the two Lincoln pictures that I have.

This photograph is an enlargement of about fifty per cent. It seems to me clear that whatever this may prove to be, it certainly is very closely akin to the picture said to be owned by Mr. George Schneider of Staats Zeitung, Chicago, or at least taken at the same time or made therefrom. It certainly is an excellent piece of work.

I removed the photograph from the frame. Unfortunately, the photograph itself is covered by a heavy piece of paper on the back, so that I can't tell without mutilation whether or not this is a daguerrectype or an ambrotype, but I am inclined to think the latter. The entire frame, except the gilt interlining is of black composite substance looking almost like a rubber composition. The picture most certainly came originally from Lincoln's own hands.

I would be glad to have your opinion on it if you wish to express it.

Very sincerely yours.