I remind you of Mr. Samuel Crawford, quite ill. He had just had a severe chill or “shake.” Still he was pleased to talk about that wonderful man. “Oh yes I remember the Lincolns although I was not Abraham’s age. He was twelve years older than I. One day I ran in calling out, ‘Mother, mother, Aaron Briggs is speaking Sally Lincoln, I saw him kiss her.’ Mother scolded me & told me I must stop watching Sally or I wouldn’t get to the wedding.”

When the Lincolns moved to Illinois their wagon wheels were tired with hickory withes instead of iron. Silas & John Richardson went with them away up into Harriet Lee, where somebody that knew them all gave a dance. Silas & John didn’t dance & I can’t say whether Abe did or not.

Neighbors thought lots more of each other then than now, & it seems like everybody liked the Lincolns. They were well acquainted for Mr. Thomas Lincoln was a good carpenter & made the cupboard mantles, doors & sashes in our old home that was burned down, but the cupboards were taken out when father died.”
May have our representative went also back a
great deal about the rhymes in Lincoln
note particularly about the panacea
in the speech. She determined to find some
good rainy rhymes if possible.