

GEORGE P. HAMBRECHT

Madison, Wisconsin,
April 25, 1924.

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

My dear Miss Tarbell:

I appreciate your letter of April 15, and note with interest your suggestion that some one undertake a scientific genealogy of the Hanks family before it is too late. I heartily agree with you in this suggestion, and I would be glad to have a movement started to this end. It ought to be taken up by the Government, subsidizing and employing a competent genealogist to do the work. The country owes that to itself. Do you think you can interest one of the Congressmen or Senators to this end? If it is undertaken privately, I will do what little I can to assist.

If you have at any time among your Lincoln items duplicates that you would care to dispose of, I can assure you that I would appreciate being remembered by you. I have a rather interesting collection, and I hope to keep it intact and ultimately dispose of it as a complete collection to some library that will keep it intact, and any item I receive will be added for that purpose.

With kind personal regards, believe me,

Sincerely yours,

