

51 Elm Street Worcester, Mass.,  
April 14, 1923.

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

My dear Miss Tarbell;-

I have received the additional installments of your Lincoln story and am much interested and pleased with the way you have told about Nancy Hanks. With the present evidence I do not see how you could have put it better. I have not seen Mr. Barton's latest account and like you I want to see his records before accepting his conclusions.

I have just had a letter from Mr. L. S. Pence of Lebanon, Ky., in which he claims from certain Court evidence, that Bathsheba Lincoln of the Washington county tax lists was the mother of Hannaniah Lincoln and not the widow of Abraham Lincoln. He is entirely wrong as Hannaniah's mother was Elizabeth Davis, but it shows how ready people are to jump at conclusions on insufficient evidence.

You speak of my "autobiography". I suppose you mean my genealogy which you say you think I told you is to be sold for \$10. for which you say you enclose your check. The check was not enclosed and as to the price I have not yet been able to learn just what the book will cost. The price will not be less than \$10. nor more than \$12. It will go to the binder next week and I shall then be able to fix the price. I will send you a circular as soon as I know when the book will be ready for delivery.

Yours very truly

