Letter: A.B. Watt to Ida M. Tarbell, February 19, 1941

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February 19, 1941.

Miss Ida Tarbell,
120-East 19th Street,
New York City,
N.Y., U.S.A.

Dear Miss Tarbell:

Five or six years ago a Canadian member of parliament stated that the "international bankers of the day" had plotted Lincoln's assassination. You were asked in regard to this and replied that it was "just loose talk." We preserved the clipping of your statement and are prompted as a consequence to ask you if to your knowledge Lincoln ever used the words attributed to him by Premier Aberhart of Alberta that are marked in the letter which we enclose herewith. We have come across several cases in which language has been ascribed to Lincoln wrongly.

If it is not too much trouble we would be greatly obliged to have you send us a short telegram collect saying
whether or not you are aware of his having used the words that Mr. Aberhart quotes. If they are not authentic we think that we should so inform our readers.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours very truly,

A.B. Watt,
Editor
Know of no authority for the attributing to Lincoln the words quoted by Mr. Abbe in letter to to which you call my attention. Doubt if it exists. Wrong address explains delay in answering. Correct address B. Comm.

[Signature]

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