February 16, 1933

Dear Mr. Townsend:

My copy of the new Barton-Townsend, "President Lincoln" has just arrived. I have had no time to do more than to see that it is a very distinguished looking production. I want very much to insert in it a letter or autograph from you. I shall also put in one of my Barton letters. As I am getting my little collection ready to give to my old college, Allegheny, Meadville, Pennsylvania, this request has something beside a selfish interest in it.

At your convenience then will you not send me something to put in my book. Best wishes and congratulations on so fine an association.

Very sincerely

Mr. William H. Townsend
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