

November 14, 1931

Mrs. Franklin Chapman:
Vandalia, Cass County
Michigan

Dear Mrs. Chapman:

Pardon the delay in replying to your letter of October 19th - I have been out of New York as my Secretary wrote you.

And now as to the incident that you relate of the carrying of the news of Lincoln's assassination to Stanton by Mr. Rudd. I think I have never heard the story before. It is interesting. I have no way at present, at least, of using it, but I shall be most glad to have any fuller description, that is, more details than are in your letter, if you are willing to send them. But all that I can do with them now, is as I say to file them with my notes for some possible future use.

Even if I did not use them they would not be lost for I am classifying my little Lincoln collection to give to my old college where I hope future students will be able to use the material collected, of which I never got around to put into shape.

Thanking you for your letter and for any further information you may care to send, believe me

Very truly yours