Photo to be autograph'd

65 Pearl St.
Newton, Mass.

Dec. 30, 1939

Miss Ida M. Tarbell.

Dear Madam;-

May I impose upon your generosity to the extent of asking for an autographed photograph that I may have the honor of hanging it in my Lincoln Room in my home. This collection will eventually go to an Historical Society and I take pleasure of enclosing a partial list of what I now have, which may prove of interest.

This collection of Lincolniana comprises mostly photographs of people and places contemporary with Lincoln and gradually I have accumulating such as I can afford in a small way.

I was the recipient this week of two medallions or tiles with the Lincoln bust and copied after the Wedgewood ware, also two teakettles in the form of chards, made from Lincoln pennies, by a convict in the State Prison.

If you are able and care to comply, with the photo, I shall be glad to pay for it.

With all best wishes for your continued good health and happiness, I am,

Yours Very Truly,

Claude C. Simmonds

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