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Tuscola, Ill. January 18, 1932,.

Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
New York N.Y.

My dear Miss Tarbell;- You will remember that I wrote to you last August in regard to a Lincoln-Yarnall marriage and that you sent me a reply of date, August 21, 1931.

I have so many interests, (chief of which is the Yarnall research as a hobby) that I have not gotten so far as I wish. However, I did get a copy of the record in Waldo Lincoln's History, as you suggested, and I find that MARY LINCOLN, daughter of Mordecai and Hannah Salter Lincoln, married FRANCES YARNALL, son of Peter and Alice (Worrilow) Yarnall.

This Peter Yarnall was a brother of my great-great-great-great-grand-father, John Yarnall, Sr. both of whom were sons of Frances Yarnall, who came over with William Penn to Pennsylvania in 1683.

Frances, grandson of the first Frances, and son of Peter, and his bride, Mary Lincoln, married in 1742, were of Reading, Pa. in 1769.

I am writing to-day, to Mrs. Rudolph of Warren, Ohio, at your suggestion,

in regard to Yarnall-Hanks marriages that I know of. As they all came down the Shenandoah, emigrated to about the same region in Kentucky at about the same time, and then to Illinois contemporaneously, I find much pleasure in visualizing "what might have been".

The Yarnall Family came to Vermilion County/^{Illinois} exactly 100 years ago. That was my great-grandfather. He died worth \$297,000. in 1848 a large sum for that day. "Old Tamers" now eighty-seven years old, tell me that my mother had the "prettiest clothes" and elegant accessories in these pioneer days, and they still wonder where they came from. My grandfather Jacky McDowell, was very proud of his daughters and he took wagon-loads of wheat to New York City, bringing back a lovely all-white silk shawl to my mother for her 18th birthday, in 1855. (We have the shawl.)

May I confide in you that I write "news" for two daily papers, and have for seven years. I love it. Especially, the features. (Decatur Herald) and Champaign News-Gazette). I write poetry for mental exercise but it is no good, for I cannot sell it.

If I find more on the Yarnall-Hanks line, I will be glad to tell you about it. I must tell you that Frances Yarnall was a Quaker but

Mary Lincoln was not, and complaint was made of his marriage "out of Meeting" at the Exeter Meeting, 1743.

Peter Yarnall, his father, and Alice Worrilow Yarnall, were both "disowned" but their children were "certified to Oley in 1740.

John Yarnall jr. and his wife were both Quakers, but their son Jesse, married a girl outside the meeting, and was disowned. Such a contagion of marrying outside the Quaker Faith!

Thank you so much for the information which you gave me, and success to you in all your own research.

Very truly yours,

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P.S. Did I tell you that a son of MY Jesse Yarnall, who was a brother of my great-grandfather, David Yarnall, married a SPEARS girl, whom tradition asserts was of the same family in Baltimore that furnished the unhappy bride for the brother of Napoleon Bonaparte, Betsey Patterson. Betsey's mother was Dorcas Spears, you will recall. Interesting?