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Houghton Mifflin Company,
4 Park St., Boston 8,
Mass.

Gentlemen:

Thank you for the trouble you took in sending me the enclosed letter, and pardon the carelessness which made you the trouble.

I want the reproductions of Lincoln signatures from Lea and Hutchinson's "Ancestry of Lincoln" to use in a series of syndicated articles which I am preparing. They are to go out under the title "In the Footsteps of the Lincolns" and will later appear in book form.

I have already done considerable work on Lincoln, publishing a two volume Life with Macmillans. I shall be very glad if you can see your way to doing me this favor.

Very truly yours,