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Bramhall Park
West Orange
New Jersey
March 26th 1896

S. S. McClure

Dear Sir

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Your favor of the 18th reached me a few days ago. I am not exactly sure that I can give you the early history of President Lincoln exactly correct here, but I know well an old lady in Virginia whose Father was very nearly related to the President. Her Father was Col Abram Lincoln of Rockingham Co Virginia. She is now the wife of ~~ex~~ State Senator John D. Pennybacker. Dr. Son of Judge ~~&~~ Isaac Pennybacker of the Court of appeals of Virginia. When I go back to Virginia April 1st or 2nd I will go and see this lady and write you the most accurate information

I can get from her on the side of ~~his~~ ~~Father~~ The Presidents Father & an another old lady Mrs Mc D. Hessing 86 Years old on the mothers side of the house & write as fully & accurately as I can.

Very truly Yours
George Chrisman
Chrisman
Virginia

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