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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
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EDINBORO, PENNSYLVANIA

Dear Miss Tarbell, —

I have just come from a delightful call on the A. R. Culbertsons — and having introduced you to me, I am taking the liberty of writing you on the strength of common friends —

I have wanted to write you for a long time, ever since I discovered that you were interested in Abraham Lincoln — for he is a distant Cousin of mine and information about him has been scarce.

My old home is in Scituate Massachusetts — where Mordecai the 1st is buried — right near Bound Brook (Cohasset - N. Scituate) and the Lincoln Mill.



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I did enjoy your article
last year in the N. Y. Times
on the Lincoln Pilgrimage —
and I promptly saw to it that
Mordeke's stone was dusted
off a bit, but the pilgrimage
avoided Groveland Cemetery
in N. Scituate — and left
me celebrating all alone.

For the past 25 years I
have been living in Oil
City — Edinboro, Penna.

I have applied for
membership in the Kinsmen
of the Presidents — but haven't
heard from my application as
yet.



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Many thanks for the information
Contained in your articles.

Very Sincerely

Waldo F. Bates
(Dir. of Art Ed.)

P.S. As I came across the
bridge over the outlet to Comeantee
today I saw a very interesting
young boy (Hostettler) whom
the Culbertsons said was a
relative of yours.