

July 1, 1923

Mr. W. S. Maxey,  
Mt. Vernon, Ill.

My dear Mr. Maxey:

I have never answered the interesting letter which you wrote me in April. I was ill in the spring and since then have been so crowded with work that my letters have been much neglected. I have appreciated your interest and particularly your kindness in calling my attention to any slips that I may have made.

I see that on the same page I made Johnston a half brother and a step brother. It was pure carelessness of course that I let 'half brother' get into the proofs - or that whoever read them did, for, if I remember rightly, I did not have them myself. I was in the West at the time they went through.

I have made Lincoln's sister Sarah in the book, although I really think with you it is too bad that it has to be done.

If you have been following the articles since, and have any corrections I shall be very glad to have them, as I have just put the completed manuscript into the hands of my publishers - Macmillans. They expect to bring it out in the fall, and when it comes out I shall take pleasure in sending an autographed copy to you.

Very sincerely yours,