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The Misses McKey
2 Washington Mews
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My dear Miss Tarbell, -

We told the owner of the Lincoln mask that we had shown it to you and how much you appreciate ed it, and this morning we have a note from them saying th that it would make them so happy if they could know the mask would go into your hands.

It has been in their possession a number of years and they have loved it as they are great Lin Lincoln admirers, and your book they have alway considered the finest thing ever written on Lincoln.

So in their note this morning they say if it could go to you they would be willing to take even less than their first reduced figure of $ 750.00. They would let you have it for $600.00 and if more convenient for you it could be done on payments. We would have a prominent sculpture, who is a friend of ours, mend the little broken spot on the ear.

We would be delighted to send it up for you to have for a few days while you are considering it. This puts you under no obligation. We will phone tomorrow morning and we can talk it over, Of course we will be delighted to cooperate in any way with you, for we feel as they do that there is no place more fitting for it than with you.

We were surprised to fine that we have close mutual friends in Margaret Breen and Anna Irving, of whom we are so fond.

Very sincerely,

Louise M. McKey

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