Lincoln - Sam Lincoln

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Miss Constance L. Wilder,
53 Fairmont Ave.,
Newton, Mass.

My dear Miss Wilder:

I have just read your very interesting discussion on the possible family from which Samuel Lincoln took his Martha. It seems plausible but I am no genealogist and the matter can only be settled by records. What you write here makes me feel that it is not impossible to unearth those records. I am not the person for you to consult but Mr. Waldo Lincoln, Worcester, Mass, who has written a big volume on the Lincoln family. You will find, if you look into the index of that volume that there are eight or ten Wilders named as intermarrying with Lincolns; the largest number seem to be Maine people, though there are at least one or two from Hingham. It is a trail and it may be that Mr. Waldo Lincoln could help you in establishing your point, or at least, indicate lines of investigation. It would be a fascinating thing to follow. I am sorry that my work makes it impossible for me to be of any assistance. Only please, dear Miss Wilder, if you do follow this up, let me know what you find. I feel it is a sort of duty for us to really find out whebe this greathgreat-great-great grandmother of Abraham Lincoln came from. There are a fine lot of women intermarried with the Lincoln's in the later generations. We ought to establish Martha's family.

I am sending your paper to Mrs. Bingham as she requested and keeping your letter to me. I hope that you will write Mr. Waldo Lincoln immediately. An introduction from me is not necessary but if you care for it I should be glad to send it.

Sincerely yours,

IMT BWK.

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