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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
120 East 19th Street,
New York City.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

You can realize what the passing of dear Mrs. Weber means to this Department and the State of Illinois. I do not believe we have had the pleasure of a visit from you in our new quarters in the Centennial Memorial Building which houses our Library and our collection of Lincolniana. It is a monument to Mrs. Weber and her distinguished services to the State of Illinois.

We have been asked to make a Lincoln exhibit at the Sesqui Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia and I wondered if you did not have something that you would like to send us or have photographed from the original to add to the interest of this exhibit. We usually have letters unmounted and printed on buff or cream colored paper to resemble as nearly as possible the original letter. Our time is so very short in which to gather up this material and if you find you have something to add to it and will have it photographed at our expense I will appreciate it.

Trusting that you will continue your interest in the Library and its Lincoln collection and that you will not hesitate at any time to write us if we can be of service to you, I

am,

Very truly yours, *Georgia L. Osborne*
Acting Librarian, Illinois State Historical Library.