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March 9, 1939

Miss Ida Tarbell
120 East 19th Street
New York City

Dear Miss Tarbell:

I am sending you herewith a copy of my letter to Mr. Upham, Jr. together with his letter to you. If the facts as I have outlined them in my letter to him are correct, we would have no rights whatsoever in WHEN LINCOLN KISSED ME. Thank you very much, however, for bringing the matter up.

Cordially yours,

Assistant to the President

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COPY FOR MISS TARBELL

March 9, 1939

Mr. Francis B. Upham, Jr.
Chrysler Building
New York City

Dear Mr. Upham:

Miss Tarbell has referred to me your letter of March 7th to her together with a copy of her letter of March 8th to you regarding the projected limited edition of WHEN LINCOLN KISSED ME.

My understanding of the situation is that Mr. Henry E. Wing wrote and published in 1913 a small book entitled WHEN LINCOLN KISSED ME. Later Miss Tarbell used this book and other material obtained from Mr. Wing in writing her A REPORTER FOR LINCOLN which we published in 1927. Miss Tarbell writes me that so far as her records show, the copyright of WHEN LINCOLN KISSED ME was not transferred to her. We would, therefore, seem to have rights only to the used which Miss Tarbell has made of this material in her A REPORTER FOR LINCOLN and you would have to apply to the copyright owners of Mr. Wing's book for permission to reprint it.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to the President

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

My dear Miss Tarbell:

Thank you for your letter of March 8, 1939, stating that you have no objection to the publication by Mr. Richard Ellis of a limited edition of "When Lincoln Kissed Me" if your publisher, Macmillan Company, and Mrs. Wing consent.

I shall be very pleased if you will tell me of the Macmillan Company's decision when it is communicated to you.

Sincerely yours,

Francis B. Upham, Jr.

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