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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
120 E. Nineteenth St.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Miss Tarbell:-

After an absence of many weeks, I have just returned from Alaska which I visited with my two older grandsons, and a part of the time we were north of the Arctic Circle where I had the unique experience of reading print by daylight at 11:30 P. M.

I find in my accumulated mail a copy of the New York Herald-Tribune containing an article about Abraham Lincoln, in which you very kindly mention me. The article interests me very much, and I want you to know that I deeply appreciate your kindness to me in the writing of it.

While on my trip I read "Forever Free" by Mrs. Morrow. I think it is a good story, and I noted with interest your commendation of it.

I am informed that Beveridge's two volumes will be on the market soon. Mrs. Beveridge, (who is a very close friend of my daughter Evelyn, whom you know, and the two are now close neighbors at Beverly Farms, Mass.) and Mr. Worthington Ford have been devoting themselves to preparation of the manuscript for publication for more than a year. As you doubtless know, Beveridge's work will cover Lincoln's life up to the time of the Douglas debates. I am particularly concerned about his treatment of the Indiana life of Lincoln, but I am assured that it will be unobjectionable.

It has been so long since I have heard from you that I have been feeling that you were quite remote. I know you have been very busy. I hope that there may be opportunities for meeting you again, and if you come in this direction, I hope that we may be favored with a visit from you.

With best regards, and best wishes,

Cordially yours,

William Fortune

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