Tarbell - October 26, 1927
to Barker

Mr. H. E. Barker
1922 South Hobart Boulevard
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Barker:

Can you tell me if the Mary Lincoln letter to Elisabeth Todd Grimsley, Sept. 29, 1861, of which you printed 75 copies in 1917, is exactly reproduced. On the second page of your reprint, 16th line, there is a sentence as follows:

"I often regret E.P.E. little weaknesses, after all since my the election she is the only one of my sisters, etc."

Are you certain that the original reads "since my the election"? Mr. Barton in his reproduction of the letter in his recent book "Women Lincoln Loved" leaves out "my". I would appreciate as early an answer on this point as you can give me.

If you have at any time other letters of Lincoln or Mrs. Lincoln for sale, or if you have reprints, I shall be very glad to know of it.

Very truly yours

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