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Mrs.Ida.M.Tarbell,
381 West Fourth-st.
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Mrs.Tarbell:-

On a recent trip through South Carolina I heard, again, the story that Abraham Lincoln was the illigetimate son of Nancy Hanks and John C.Calhoun.

You are the greatest living authority on matters pertaining to the former president. For that reason I am asking you to let me know what your data shows on this subject. You undoubtedly have heard the story.

I am not seeking my information for its news value. I am interested in the subject of Lincolnia. Since I have been in Kentucky I have also heard stories to the same effect that seems to have been generally current on the Indiana side of the river near Owensboro and where Lincoln formerly lived.

Any light you may care to give me on the subject will be gratefully received.

Very truly,

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City editor.

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