

Chicago, March 9, 1936.

Dear Miss Tarbell:

I fear I did not make clear in my letters to you that the complex photograph in question could have had any connection with the McClure publication, as the photograph of the Lincoln Bureau brought from Kentucky to Indiana, was not photographed at all until the year 1900 when it was taken by the photographer- sent to my residence by the Monarch Book Company which published my book and which appeared ~~in~~ for circulation in the year 1900. That photograph and the only one ever taken of the Bureau you will find in my story of Abraham Lincoln, "The Journey from the Log Cabin to the White House" ~~xxxxxxx~~ which appears opposite page 85. There are still living witnesses who saw the photograph ~~taken~~ of the Bureau taken at my residence (all of the Lincoln Log Cabin Association's possessions having been turned over to me legally and became my property) -

~~xxx~~ You will clearly see as above stated, that any matter of your's in connection with the ~~McClure~~ publication could not possibly have had any connection with that firm as your article or sketch appeared some years before my book was published.

If you are ever able to locate the complex photograph you will have to search among matter of much more recent date than that of any Linconiana connected with McClures. So do not trouble yourself to pursue so vain a quest.

I am greatly disappointed and had surely hoped you would find the source from which you obtained the picture and now that I have made it quite plain what your quest must be in order to obtain the information I am seeking, I trust you will have no further difficulty in ~~xxxxxx~~ securing what that which I so earnestly desire and which I am sure I am entitled to.

I thank you for your interest although ~~xxx~~ it was ~~xxxxxx~~ futile because of misconception or carelessness on my part and now hope that you may be able to get for me what I so earnestly desire.

With kind regards I am

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs)

*Eleanor or G. M. Day*