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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

I received your kind letter and thank you very much for it. I enclose a fac-simile of Lincoln's definition of Democracy for you. It was given to me a day or two ago by Judge Bradwell. I presume you have seen it or the original and have a copy of it. If so, you can give this to Charles and if not please keep it for yourself.

I sat on the platform for three hours listening to Lincoln and Douglas in their debate at Freeport, Illinois on the 27th of August 1858. If I shall ever have the pleasure of seeing you I will tell you my impression of the debate and of the men who made it and the audience that heard it. I sat in the next seat to Mr. Lincoln going up to Freeport on the morning of the debate and heard him tell a very interesting story which is too long for mention in this letter. Judge Bradwell says he has been offered \$150 for the original of this definition.

Yours truly,

W. B. Barge