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My dear Mr. Dawes:

I have just returned to New York and find on my desk the copies of the pictures taken when I had the pleasure of being at the Fair. I am particularly glad to have the one in which you appear. I shall keep it as a souvenir of what for me was a most stimulating and exciting experience. I have been talking ever since about what you are doing at the Exposition and the way you are doing it which seems so worthwhile and very unusual. I am sure it is going to be something that we all ought to see and study. I certainly shall try to do so.

I was, of course, gratified that you have made a Lincoln center. I do not know that the reproduction in every particular is exact, but I do not know that that is so essential. Certainly it is an excellent idea of the pioneer settlement. I found the exhibits of pictures and furniture all suggestive of the time. Altogether, I think you will find that a great many people will get both information and pleasure out of the Lincoln Group.

I was particularly interested in the way Fort Dearborn had been reproduced for there one is impressed at once - it speaks with authority and is correct in its detail.

With real gratitude for your kindness to me the day that I visited the Exposition and best wishes for the success of the undertaking, believe me

Very sincerely yours

Ida

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