Elizabethtown Ky 7/8/32

Miss Ida Tarbell,
Newyork
N.Y.

Dear Miss Tarbell: Quite a number of years since you came in contact with James Montgomery Atty. an uncle of mine I learned some data with reference to "Tom Lincoln" namely an article "Suspenders" purchased from Blakely & Montgomery by merchants of our town.

I am a great grand son of Wm Montgomery of this Firm We have some of the two old Ledgers and a Journal used by this firm 1804 to 1808 telling out various purchases and

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Edith & Thomas Lincoln just before, including and after his marriage to Nancy Hanks.

I possess the Ledger 1806 covering the a/c at date of his marriage & have photostatic of "Tom Lincoln a/c" in the book preceding mine. The other Ledger is in the hands of relatives in Louisville & the Journal in the hands of a relative in Texas

However I have two pages (photostatic) of the Journal showing items of purchase just before June 1st, 1806. - Thinking this information might interest you & assuring you that you can have "photostatics" of any papers in my possession at actual cost plus postage is what prompts me to write you. (over)

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I have nothing to sell or exploit. My interest in this is purely personal as it relates to the early contacts of my great grandfather, Mr Louis A Warren who was my neighbor & personal friend during his residence here.

Yours &

J. C. Montgomery

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