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Dear Mr. Grundy:

Of course I remember you and your work on the Lincoln genealogy and particularly the work of your friend Dr. Stillwell, the author of "Historical and Genealogical Miscellany", a book I tried to get for my Lincoln collection but have failed.

And now as to the matter in which you ask my help - finding a suitable position for your friend. I quite understand her position and the relation of yourself and your mother to her. I wish I could be of some helpful service. My connections for extra work have been long established - they could not be broken without injustice. All that I can do is to promise I will keep your friend in mind. I already have spoken to two or three people whom I thought might know of something, but everybody seems to have on their hands problems similar to yours, that is they have some near and valued friend who wants work for which they feel he or she is capable.

One thing I can suggest and that is you have her write in her own name a circular letter telling what she is prepared to do and send it to publishing houses here in New York and to literary agents. She might send it to the Author's League and if she does that she is at liberty in that case to mention my name.

I think, dear Mr. Grundy, this is about the best practical advice I can give you. It is a matter of searching, applying by letter or in person. Are you sure you have exhausted all possibilities in Jersey City and Newark? Possibly the Newark Library might give you some helpful advice. They seem to be a particularly public spirited organization.

Regretting deeply, dear Mr. Grundy, that I am not able myself to give your friend the work she wants, believe me

Very sincerely yours

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