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Miss Ida M. Tarbell
120 East Nineteenth St.
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Dear Miss Tarbell:

I have delayed answering your letter hoping that I might be able to notify you at the same time of the safe arrival of the Hitchcock manuscripts.

Up to the present time they have not arrived, but as you sent them insured I am sure they can be easily traced, if they have been sidetracked.

It is very kind of both you and Mrs Hitchcock to allow me to look over these papers and I am sure that they will have a very sympathetic reading. I should like very much to review them before my work comes from the press.

Both of my volumns are now in the hands of Bobbs - Merrill, and I am awaiting their reply on the same. In a conference with Mr. Howland last week, I advised him that you had kindly consented to write an introduction for me and he seemed pleased with that arrangement.

One volumn of about eight hundred pages contains duly authorized public records found in Kentucky relating to the Lincoln and Hanks families. This will appear as the "Lincoln-Hanks Kentucky Source Book," The volumn which I would like to have you review is the interpretation of these documents which will appear under the caption "Lincoln's Old Kentucky Homes." It will also contain about eight hundred pages. These two volumns will appear at the same time.

I have read the proof on Dr. Bartons new proof which will be out in March. He takes some rather radical positions but his extensive research he feels allows him to make these departures from the usual text. He claims to have the Hanks Genealogy with documentary support.

Thanking you for your many kindnesses I am

Sincerely yours, Louis A Warren

The express man brings me the box containing the manuscripts so I shall be able to send it right on.
R.C.W.

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