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Madison, Wisconsin,
November 1, 1927
(Dictated October 31)

Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
120 East Nineteenth Street,
New York City.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

Replying to your letter of October 26, will say that I have not yet unpacked the major part of the books in my Lincoln library, but I now recall the name of the author of "A Reporter's Lincoln" although I cannot put my hand on the book at this writing. From my card catalog I note that the book was published by the Missouri Historical Society, and doubtless you can get a copy from the librarian.

I know what it is to be disappointed in seeking Lincoln material, and I can sympathize with you concerning the Bixby letter incident. I fear the original has disappeared for all time.

If I come across any other items pertaining to Mrs. Lincoln, I will surely bring them to your attention. Of course, you have all the Scott items that appear in published volumes.

I wish I were in a position where I could do some original research in the field of Lincolniana, but my work is of such a nature that I can give only slight attention to this subject, although I am vitally interested in it. I will be glad to hear from you at any time.

I am devoting all my energy to putting over the part-time school movement for working people in Wisconsin, and I recently prepared a short monograph to be published in a souvenir book that the State Federation of Labor of Wisconsin is getting out for its membership. Thinking that you might be interested in it, I enclose herewith a copy. I could not refrain from drawing one example from the life of Lincoln.

With kind personal regards and best wishes believe me,

Sincerely yours,

Geo. P. Hambrecht
KC
Enc.

see Miss Tarbell's letter Oct. 26, 1927