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My dear Mr. Weik:

I always think of you when I undertake a piece of Lincoln work, and as I am just starting on a Life for the Boy Scouts, of course the first thing I do is to run to your door.

The important thing I want to ask just now is an exact description of what you have from Lincoln's exercise and copy books. Am I right in supposing there were two books? Have you anything more than leaves or parts of leaves? Have fac similes been made of everything that you have? Have you yourself anywhere written a full description of what is in your possession? I feel sure I ought to know about this. I have notes covering it but I cannot put my hands on them. Some of my Lincoln material is packed away in ungetable places, and some was left in the McClure files and destroyed. What I would like to know, is there anything fresh and interesting that could be reproduced for my Scouts?

I had a long talk here in New York the other day with J. Charles Moores of Indianapolis. His knowledge and interest regard Lincoln were most enjoyable.

I may be getting around your way while I am at this work. I hope you will be willing to see me again. I should ...h enjoy a talk with you.

Very sincerely yours,

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