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Miss Ida M. Tarbell
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Dear Miss Tarbell:

I should like to ask you assistance. I am engaged in editing a volume of selections from Lincoln for which I am trying to get access to either the originals or photostatic copies of all items I include. There are about two dozen of the letters that I should like to include which I have not been able to locate either in the original or in photostatic copy. Among them are the two letters which Lincoln wrote to Charles C. Nott, dated May 31 and September 22, 1860.

Since you included part of one of these in your biography of Lincoln and since that is the earliest printing of either of them that I have record of, I am wondering whether perhaps you might be able to help me locate the originals or photostatic copies.

Believe me, I should appreciate any help you can give me.

Very truly yours,

Roy P. Basler

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