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Dear Mrs. Rudolph:

I have just received your article on Lincoln's Maternal Grandmother. I read it immediately. It stands the first test in my mind of a good article, that is, it is interesting throughout and it has, too, the feel of authority and discrimination.

I want as soon as I have time to go over it more carefully and I shall if I have any suggestions pass them on to you immediately.

It will probably be several days before I can do this as I am leaving tomorrow for the Dedication at Fort Wayne of Paul Manship's, "Hoosier Youth." I am delighted with his interpretation. It is really the first time that artist or writer has stripped off the young Lincoln an accumulation of sordid details which in the name of truth have obscured the real boy. Manship has done this and I regard his work as a fine contribution to the understanding of Lincoln. Here is a boy out of whom the man might have grown, something we have never had in any authoritative work before. I am sure you will rejoice with me that this is so.

I shall be seeing Dr. Warren of course and if you do not object I will talk the article over with him. Have you any plans for its publication? Possibly you might write me about this at Fort Wayne where I shall remain for a day or two in order to acquaint myself better with the museum.

My address there is Hotel Keenan. If you will write me at once I shall receive it. I would not want to talk with Dr. Warren about your article unless I had your permission.

I am so proud that you have done this, dear Mrs. Rudolph.

Affectionately yours

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