Nancy Hanks

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Miss Kate A. Thompson
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My dear Miss Thompson:

I have your interesting letter, telling me of your continued work on the Lincoln-Hanks genealogy. I am glad to know of every attempt to unearth documents that will establish finally the Hanks genealogy. I have always believed that in time it would be done.

The question is not whether Dr. Barton is right or Mrs. Hitchcocks is right - it is simply, What is the truth about it? And, as I see it, that can only be decided by records.

I myself am unable to give you any help for I have not been following in any detail the latest investigations. Nor have I examined the documents which Dr. Barton has.

I do not know what has become of Mrs. Hitchcock. The best I can do for you, I think, is to refer you to a woman who is doing the most careful work on the Hanks genealogy of which I know. This is Mrs. Myra Hanks Rudolph of 564 Woodbine Ave., Warren, Ohio. I am sure that she would be glad to answer any specific questions that you might put to her, that is, anything that she could answer.

I am sorry that I myself for the time have been obliged to give up any thought of working on the genealogy. If you write to Mrs. Rudolph you can tell her that I suggested your writing to her.

Sincerely yours

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