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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
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NEW YORK.

My dear Miss Tarbell:-

Thank you so much for your letter advising receipt of my little book, and for the nice things you say about it.

I am also in receipt of the first volume of your life of Lincoln, which you were kind enough to beautifully inscribe for me, and which I appreciate very much indeed.

Last summer I examined the records of all of the courts in the Old Eighth Judicial District of Illinois, as well as those at Bloomington and Peoria, which were not in the circuit, for the purpose of ascertaining information concerning all the suits in which Abraham Lincoln had been either a plaintiff or defendant. I have obtained some very interesting data along this line, and have written an article dealing with these suits and the suit referred to in my recent book, which I have entitled, "Lincoln, the Litigant." I desire to submit it to some magazine which might find it available for publication in its coming February number, and I shall very much appreciate any suggestion from you as to the periodical to which I might send it. I do not want to make the mistake of sending it to some periodical that is not interested in Lincoln material, and I know that you are familiar with those magazines that publish, from time to time, such articles.

If you will advise me by return mail as to where I should send this material, I shall be exceedingly obliged.

With many thanks, I am,

Sincerely,

W. H. Townsend

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