June 7, 1939

Dear Miss Ludwig:

I am sending you today by express the picture of Mary Lincoln and myself which you thought the girls would like. I have put on the back of the picture a note explaining where she came from. This was suggested to me by one of the girls at the house.

Thank you for your note. I was sorry not to see you again, but I realized how driven you were.

My love to the girls and to yourself, dear Miss Ludwig

Miss Mildred Ludwig
Meadville, Pa.

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MARY TODD LINCOLN

of

TARBELL HOUSE

She was created some five years ago for a Bazaar held by the Pen & Brush Club of New York City. A table of dolls of eminent ladies of the past was contributed by members. It was required that their costumes be historically correct. Mary Todd Lincoln was dressed after a photograph made while she was in the White House.

The members of the Pen & Brush Club presented the doll to their President, Miss Tarbell. She in turn gave it to Tarbell House after securing proper permission from the Governing Board of the Pen & Brush.

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