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R. F. D. 1, Bethel, Conn. 10/2 '42

Dear Mr Benjamin

I understand that you are the new Reis Librarian. Congratulations, — and a regret. The Lincoln Collection should have a custodian familiar with the work I have laid out but which a long and crippling illness ^{has held up} prevented. Miss Hender Shott has proved her fitness for what I have planned.

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Is it not possible to make
her custodian - under
your direction of course.

Pardon this servant. I
am not allowed a secretary
yet I cannot use a pen.

Faithfully yours

Ida M. Tarbell