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Manufacturers of Flour.

Chester, Ill. - May 7 1906

Dear Madam,  
I have read your life of Mr. Lincoln  
with great pleasure and thank you  
for collecting so many interesting  
facts in his personal history.  
I think there is a mine thro' that  
has never been properly worked  
as it should be - That is, there of his  
personal friends still alive who  
know many interesting things to  
tell of him.  
One of them is Mr. John W. Bunn  
of Springfield, Ill.  
He knew him well for many  
years & has many personal re-  
ollections and anecdotes of Mr.  
Lincoln that should be preserved -  
I have no doubt that Mr. Bunn  
could tell you of

My Dear Miss Tarbell -

New York, City -

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Such men are scarce and will  
 soon be all gone, but they should  
 be persuaded to give up their  
 knowledge for the benefit of those  
 who love & honor their great man.

I call your attention to this,  
 believing you are better fitted  
 for the work than anyone and  
 make it a labor of love as well as  
 giving your fellow citizens and ad-  
 mirers a work that would be in-  
 tensely interesting by showing his  
 many sides & great kindness of  
 heart.

I trust you will take my interest  
 in this matter as a valid re-  
 cause for troubling you with this  
 suggestion -

Very Respectfully Yours  
 C. B. Cole

Miss Ida M. Tarbell  
 New York City