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Dear Sir; —

Having read with a great deal of interest your various articles on Abraham Lincoln concerning his youth and the later years of his life it occurred to me that as practically every life of Lincoln ~~says~~ states that he was of obscure origin it might be well for you to correct this popular error and with this end in view I enclose herewith a slight extract made up from George Lincoln's History of Hingham, Mass. which shows that no less than four governors of Mass. and Maine were descendants of Abraham Lincoln's ancestor Samuel Lincoln.

There were nine emigrants to Hingham about 1637, seven of whom had descendants but it is worthy of note that practically all the noted Lincolns were of the same branch of the family as Abraham Lincoln. If the above proves of interest to you I shall be glad to assist you in collecting more definite material.

Yours very truly

Francis H. Little

I am a direct descendant of Samuel Lincoln of the Ninth generation.