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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
R. F. D. #1,
Bethel Connecticut.

Dear Miss Tarbell:

Thank you so much for your letter of 19th instant in reference to your opinion about Lincoln's grandmother.

Just for the fun of it, I wrote a similar letter to each member of the Advisory Group. Up to now, there are thirteen in the list agreeing as you do, three on the other side, and three who have not answered yet. Thought you might like to hear this.

Yes, your letter is satisfactory. All we can do is to say on which side, we think there lies what lawyers call the preponderance of the evidence.

Personally, I feel Lincoln is the best witness and that he told Herndon as Herndon says he did.

But as you say, we must all wait for what may be definitely shown in the future.

Very truly,


James W. Bollinger

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