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Miss Ida M. Tarbell
120 East 19th Street
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Dear Miss Tarbell:

We wonder if you would be so kind as to give us some help in a matter which has come up with respect to a speech supposedly made by Abraham Lincoln. A correspondent of ours believes that the following was said by Lincoln and wishes to know when and where the words were said, and whether or not they are correctly quoted here:

"I see in the near future, a crisis approaching that unnerves me and causes me to tremble for the safety of my country, corporations have been enthroned, an era of corruption in high places will follow, and the money power of the country will endeavor to prolong its reign by working upon the prejudice of the people, until the wealth is aggregated in a few hands, and the Republic is destroyed."

We have exhausted our available resources in an attempt to locate this passage and therefore turn to you in the hope that you might be able to lend us your assistance. We shall greatly appreciate any help you can give us.

For your convenience we are enclosing a self-addressed envelope for which no stamp is necessary.

Very truly yours,

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