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Miss Ida M. Tarbell

#120 East 19th Street

New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Tarbell:-

I did not expect when you wrote me Nov 11th asking me for a copy of the invitation to Willie Lincoln's party that I would be so slow in delivering the same to you. On Feb 12th I took my son and grandson to see Mr Rankin and during our talk I mentioned the picture and invitation so took it over a couple of days later for him to see and on my way back left them at the photographers to have copies made and while there told him to reproduce the envelope and cards mailed to my father and mother Feb 11th 1861, the day they left for Washington. The little envelope containing ^{the invitation} should have been turned the other way but it was finished before I saw it but he apologized for his error.

The fact that Mrs Lincoln took the trouble of writing invitations to small children to attend a child's party and mailed their cards to old friends on the eve of their departure from their home town, to my mind reflects credit to Mrs Lincoln's sense of courtesy that is worthy of mention. Most people under the circumstances would have felt a verbal invitation to children

