

Tarbell - July 26, 1927 to Fay

Mr. H. W. Fay  
Custodian Lincoln's Tomb  
Springfield, Ill.

My dear Mr. Fay:

Thank you for your letter of July 20. You give me just the information I want. I had a feeling that Allen Francis Edgar was more sure that this was a picture of Mary Todd Lincoln than anybody else. I did not myself see the least resemblance, but, so far as I know, I have never seen a picture of Mrs. Lincoln taken after she left the White House, and of course her illness and trouble must have wrought havoc with her face.

I am writing Mr. Barker and Mrs. Ireland as you suggest and when I go to Springfield in the fall, as I now hope, I shall want to talk to you, and of course shall be very glad to meet Mr. Thompson.

You speak of a transcrip of Browning's Diary. I have written two or three times to the Historical Society, which, I believe, published the Diary, asking if I could buy a copy; but have never received an answer. If you can put me in the way of getting one, I shall appreciate it very much.

Very sincerely yours

*See also ... Mary Todd Lincoln*