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Miss Ida Tarbell,
120 E. 19th St.,
New York City

Dear Miss Tarbell:

The writer has just completed, after more than three year's work, forty-eight copper etchings, size $5\frac{1}{2}$ x 8 inches, showing the spots over the entire state of Illinois where Abraham Lincoln has visited and made history. These etchings show the buildings and scenes exactly as they appear today.

At the urge of a personal friend, who is a Lincoln student, I have placed the series of original prints of etchings in book form. A most interesting story of the work of Abraham Lincoln in Illinois is made an important part of this work, which is entitled "Over the Century-Old Trail". This is published as a limited edition of fifty-three copies only.

The book is approximately $12\frac{1}{2}$ x 15 inches, and is bound in a unique Molloy leather cover.

Each etching, printed on Strathmore Alexandria Japan antique paper, has a protective tissue bearing authentic description.

The finished volume is priced at \$150.00 and will indeed be an appreciated addition to any collection of Lincoln works.

May I look forward to your reservation?

Cordially yours,

CRW:LZ

Chas. R. Withee

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