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*Please address reply to New York Office
522 Fifth Avenue New York City*

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Dear Miss Tarbell:

I am wondering whether you have returned to this country after that summer in Italy which you intimated in the delightful note you were so good as to send me last June. It is needless to enlarge upon the appreciation felt both by the author and the publisher, not only for the permission you have given us in connection with your own collection of the Lincoln Letters but for the manner in which you have expressed it.

I am asking the publishers to send a copy of the "Autobiography" of Lincoln as soon as they ascertain your return to this country. You must know that I shall await with great interest your decision as to whether it is of real value or not. I am assuming, you see, that your interest in the subject is so great that even the present flood of Lincoln publications does not daunt you.

Were Mrs. Stephenson here she would unite in hoping that you have returned from Italy in the best of spirits after a very pleasant journey.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Nathaniel W. Stephenson'.

Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
120 East 19th Street,
New York.

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