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"Last He Knew"

Portsmouth, Ohio,
February 26, 1931.

Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
Somewhere.

Dear Lady:-

Way back in 1915 I met you at the
C.H.& D. Station, Chillicothe, Ohio.

You probably have forgotten me, but
I cannot forget you, as your photo that you so kindly
sent is on my desk, and I see it quite often.

Am enclosing a clipping taken from
Portsmouth Times, February 11th, issue, which I think
you will appreciate. Numerous printing errors, so
have had a typewritten copy made which will be clear
to you.

In reference to your book "He Knew
Lincoln," which I had purchased before meeting you.

While stopping at Wytheville, Va.,
with friends, having the book with me I permitted the
three to read. After boarding the train, in opening
discovered they had written their names therein.

The thought occurred to me that it
would be a good idea to have all who read it to inscribe
their names. I succeeded in getting 300, then sent it
to my boyhood friend Dawes in London. If it ever gets
back intend to bundle it up and forward to you, and in
a small way show my appreciation of the most interesting,
pathetic and amusing story yet written about the great man.

"His life was gentle and the elements
so mired in him that nature might stand up and say to all
the world - This was a Man"

Hoping time has dealt gently with you,
believe me,

One of your sincerest admirers,

Edw. Jay Angnes.

