

Cleveland Ohio.  
Oct. 13 - 1930.

Miss Ida M. Tarbell  
120 E. 19th St  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Tarbell -

I have a bust painting in oil  
of Abraham Lincoln, which was  
his favorite and given by him  
to my grandfather Mr. Sims of  
Springfield, Ill.

This painting was made  
during Mr. Lincoln's first term  
as president, is about 8' x 12"  
in size and in good condition.

Knowing you are an  
authority on the life of Mr. Lincoln  
I thought perhaps you could  
help me dispose of the painting.  
Any assistance rendered will be

greatly appreciated and shall  
be very happy to remunerate  
you for your help.

Will be very happy to  
give further information if  
desired

Yours Very Truly

J. A. Wells.

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