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Mr Joseph Benjamin Oakleaf
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Dear Mr Oakleaf:

Pardon me for not sooner answering your letter of October 19th. Mr Cameron, our Editor, has been in Europe since the middle of August and much of his work has fallen to me.

With reference to the Lincoln matter, I rewrote this material and submitted it to a couple publishers. Neither of them felt that there would be sufficient sale to make bringing out a book at all profitable. I shall be very glad to loan you any of the illustrations you desire and if you care to have it, I will send you the manuscript. A number of chapters have been added and all the chapters annotated. The references may be of some benefit to you. We have quite a file of Lincoln pictures, many of which I have never planned on using. As you know, we are running Lincoln material in almost every issue and consequently have accumulated considerable material to illustrate the story.

Is there any chance of your being in or near Detroit during the Fall? We could let you go over what we have and make a selection. If this is not possible and you will give me a general idea of the type of pictures you want, I will select a number and send to you.

Any assistance I can be to you will be given with pleasure. I do not believe one could admire Abraham Lincoln and not feel this way about it.

Very truly yours

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