

Springfield Illinois
June 24th 1876

Hon. S. Sweet
Chicago Ills.

Dear Sir.

Mrs. Lincoln has deposited her bonds with Mr. Bunn and has given him a power of attorney to receive the interest and to collect her rent from Robert - She was very much excited and angry with me when I informed her what you would do if she carried out her threats against him. She is now calm and says [if he will send her the pictures and the silver engraved in her name and which was presented to her] he may keep every thing else - She wished me to notify him that Mr. Bunn would expect him to remit the rent, but I declined doing so, preferring

to write to you to let you know that
she seems determined that he shall
pay ~~the~~^{it} debt, whether he loses the property
or not - I feel confident that she
will manage her estate so as to add
annually 3 or 4 thousand dollars to
the principal. She never thought
otherwise since she has been at my
house, not even if it was a doubtful
expriat I was in favor of trying it
and especially as she has a pension of
\$3.000.00 per annum. We wish you to
reassure Robert that we have never
for one moment believed that he has
been actuated by any motive other than
for her interest and happiness - And
from the testimony and opinion of the
physicians, and others of his father's friends
we do not see how he could have
done otherwise - He has had from the
first our sympathy, love and confidence

Very truly yours
N. W. Edwards