New Salem, Ill., April 4, 1836

Dear Sir,

You will confer a favour on me by examining the Records kept by the old Post Office and ascertaining whether a deed for the 17.98 acres of Section 23, in Twp. 18 N., R. 5 W., in the 19th Tract, made by William S. Trent to Michael Mc. Mahon, has ever been recorded in their office, and of so, whether the record shows that the land has been transferred by Mr. Mc. Mahon, and if it has, who is the present owner under him. Also please to give me all the information in your office in regard to sales of said land for taxes, also who is the present owner by tax title.

Very Respectfully,

[Signature: A. Lincoln]

Levi Davis, Esq.

A. Lincoln