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Ky-

I am here attending court a hundred and thirty miles from home, and when a copy of your letter of this month, to Mr. Edwards, reached me from him, last evening - I find it difficult to suppress my indignation towards those who have got up this claim against me - I would really be glad to hear Mr. Hemmingsway explain how he was induced to swear he believed the claim ^{to be} just! - I herewith enclose my answer - If it is insufficient either in substance, or in the authentication of the oath, return it to me at Springfield (where I shall be after about ten days,) stating the defective points - You will perceive in my answer, that I ask the Patrons to be induced to file a bill of particulars, stating names & residences, &c. - I do this to enable me to absolutely disprove the claim - I can easily prove by independent evidence, every material statement of my answer, and if they will name any living accessible man, or one of whom I have received their money, I will, by that man disprove the charge - I know it is for them to prove their claim, rather than for me to disprove it, but I am unwilling to trust the oath of any man, who either made or prompted the oath to the Patrons -
Write me soon - Very Respectfully - G. Lincoln -