Springfield Nov. 30, 1858

Mr. C. Whitney, Esq.

My dear Sir:

Being desirous of preserving, in some permanent form, the late joint concerns between Douglas and myself, ten years ago, I wrote to Dr. Ray, requesting him to forward to me, by express, two sets of the No. of the "Venus," which contain the report of the same. As I did not hear from him on this subject, will you, if in your power, forward them and forward them to me by express? If you will, I will pay all charges, as I greatly desire to boot.

Hoping to meet you before long, I remain
As ever your friend

A. Lincoln