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PROJECT NAME: Abraham Lincoln: Contemporaries and Confidantes

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Description of materials to be digitized

This proposal includes three books concerning individuals that touched the life of Abraham Lincoln in different ways. The first is *The Life and Letters of John Hay*, who was a close friend of Lincoln and was at Ford's Theater when the president was assassinated. The other is a volume containing two works bound together: *The biography and public services of James G. Blaine* and *A biography of John A. Logan*. These books are paged continuously and are about 700 pages long. Each of these books are in excellent condition for scanning.

"Illinois Culture and Heritage" theme

This book fits the "Illinois Culture and Heritage" theme because they deal with the lives of prominent historical figures that have strong ties to Illinois. *The Life and Letters of John Hay* is a two-volume set, with the first volume already having been scanned and placed on the Internet Archive. This proposal seeks only to digitize the second volume, which would complement the first volume. *The biography and public services of James G. Blaine* and *A biography of John A. Logan* are probably bound together because of Blaine and Logan's presidential run in 1884, but each of these books contain accounts of Lincoln from earlier on. Blaine's biography recalls the Chicago Convention of 1860 and contains descriptions of Douglas and Lincoln during their debates. Logan's biography contains accounts of his time growing up in Illinois and eventually serving in the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate.

