

The Plymouth, Washington, D.  
March 18, 1914.

My Dear Miss Tarbell:

You may remember that I wrote you some time ago about my paper on "The Religious Opinion Life of Abraham Lincoln", and you had thought "The American Magazine" could place them for such a production. You spoke of contemplating something of that same line yourself in the future.

My paper was published in the Jan Bibliotheca Sacra. Under another <sup>copy</sup> ~~copy~~ am sending <sup>you</sup> a reprint copy of it. I hope you will not deem my liberty intrusive, nor think I am presumptuous if I say I think I have said the last word on that phase of Lincoln's character; at least, after very extensive research, I know of nothing affirmative that can be averred beyond what I have adduced.

With sincere respect,

Very truly yours,

William H. Bates