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"His name indicates his character"

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Miss Ida M. Tarbell  
120 East Nineteenth Street  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

With reference to your query about the Gulliver conversation with Lincoln, the source of my information is from James Buckley's "Extemporaneous Oratory" pages 95 and 96.

Of course I have been very familiar with the versions which appears in your book first printed in the Independent for September 1, 1864, and which is a much more complete digest of the conversation.

It is quite likely that Dr. Gulliver varied somewhat in his recitation of this conversation as he was undoubtedly asked many times to recall it. It appears to me that neither one of the traditions contradict each other, but rather supplement each other, and, as you suggest, I think it is very likely that the political conversation predominated in the Lincoln home.

In another day or so I will have the inventory of our duplicates ready and give you further information about them.

Very sincerely yours,

*Louis A. Warren* Director  
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