

H. D. STEVENS,

MINISTER UNITARIAN CHURCH,

Whitman, Mass., May 16, 1896

Messrs Ida M. Forbell,
New York City.

Dear Madam: —

Your note of 15th inst.
at hand. Your silence
in regard to the evidence
I referred to makes me
hesitate in writing you
again about the matter.
I will say, however, that
a gentleman in Alton,
Ills. had in 1890 or 1891
the alleged identical

copy of the "doctored" almanac, which it is said Lincoln used upon that occasion. I have seen it, and while the doctoring is nicely done, yet it is perceptible. I regard it as important evidence as I was led ^{to believe,} from what I learned of its history, that it was the identical almanac used by Lincoln. If you care for this evidence, I think it can be procured for you, and its history given, etc.

Yours in the interest of the truth,
H. S. Stevens