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Dear Miss Tarbell

I have just acquired a remarkable, unpublished letter of four pages, written by Wm H.Herndon under date of Feb. 18, 1886, in which he freely discusses LINCOLN'S PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE. He boldly declares Lincoln was a "thorough fatalist" and analyses his character from the standpoint of that doctrine,- that "men are more tools in the hands of fate."

This will be privately printed as an 8 page folder, in an edition limited to 100 numbered copies, and are offered at $2. per copy.

The original letter is for sale at $50.

I have just had printed another letter, written by Wm H.Herndon under date of Jan. 15, 1874, in which he analyses LINCOLN'S PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS in a manner unlike any other description given of that great man. It is somewhat similar to his letter to Remsburg which I published some years ago, but is longer, and more minute in detail. This also is printed as an 8 page folder, limited to 100 numbered copies, and is offered at $1. per copy.

We may not be pleased with all that Herndon says about his long-time partner, but we must concede to him the place of one who, more than any other writer on Lincoln, speaks with authority, and is looked to for source material.

Sincerely,

H E Barker

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