February 21, 1931.

Mr. H. T. Sidway,
Godfrey,
Illinois.

My dear Mr. Sidway:

Your letter of February 8th has been forwarded to me here in Arizona from New York City. Thank you for speaking so kindly of my Lincoln article in a recent Collier's.

Now as to your letters, the only that I could refer you to, with the hope of your getting anything like your price is Oliver Barrett, the Lincoln collector of Chicago. You will find his address in a Chicago directory. He might be willing to consider the letters.

Another possible purchaser would be the Lincoln Library and Museum, Fort Wayne, Indiana. The head of this is a Mr. Warren. I know they are interested there in buying originals.

You say that you would be glad to mail me photostats of the Lincoln letters. I should like to have them very much indeed, and with them in hand I might run onto somebody who would be glad to buy them. At least I would do what I could for you.

Thanking you again for your letter, believe me, dear Mr. Sidway, I am

Sincerely yours,

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