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Tucson, Arizona
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My dear Miss Hamand,

I hope you will pardon me for having delayed so long in returning the papers. They interested me very much. I trust you are keeping the clippings in regard to Masters' book. It's a thing to be reckoned with.

I notice in Mr. Hambrecht's letter of September 23, last, that he asked you for all the copies of the reminiscences in regard to Lincoln's association with Ann Rutledge at New Salem which came down from the Rutledge family. I see that these were sent to him. I wonder, dear Miss Hamand, if you'd be willing to give me copies of the same. There's still something to be done on this romance, in which you know that I believe as you do. I am asking Collier's to send you a copy of an article of a year ago, the last that I wrote on the affair.

How did you like the doves? I'm delighted with them, and shall wear them often and think of you.

Affectionately yours,

Ida M. Tarbell.