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Mr. F. L. Black,
Business Manager,
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Dearborn, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Black:

I have at least fifty friends who send me everything they see in the magazines about the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. One of them sent me the other day your story in the April 10th number. It was extremely interesting to me as a fan on this subject, and my friend as a magazine layman, assured me that it was one of the most interesting stories of history that he had read in a long time.

I assure you that you have struck a gold mine, and I want you to get in that attic in the war department with the aid of Mr. John B. Randolph as soon as you can find time. You have a column in which to print this material and I haven't.

Very sincerely yours,

WGS:AC

W. G. Shepherd