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Mr. Robert Page Lincoln,
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Dear Mr. Lincoln:

I have had my attention called recently to your write-up "Quail Investigations in the North", apparently based upon a part of one of my papers.

Insofar as your write up indicates that you have read only the first half of the paper you are quoting I am inclosing a reprint of the complete original as submitted to American Game. American Game, on account of space limitations, split the original manuscript into two parts to run in consecutive issues. This to my idea completely ruined the paper, and I can hardly blame you for getting wrong impressions from the part constituting in actuality scarcely more than the intended introduction.

A scrutiny of the reprint, I think, will show that my presentation of conservation problems is not terribly out of balance and that I am completely aware of the existence of the farmer as well as a number of other things. The primary purpose of the article was not to propose a panacea for wild life ills but to present analyses of the problems. It was also intended to call the attention of sundry myopic agricultural, conservation, and sporting factions to the possibility that there are certain social and biological matters which they cannot ignore and expect to get away with, in short, that fundamentals must not be lost sight of. So far as I know I don't labor under many delusions as to how much the public may be counted upon in the way of unselfish, conscientious effort.

Yours very truly,

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