

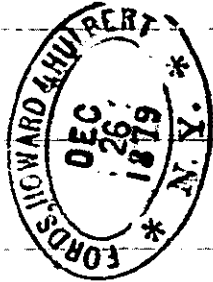
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Custom House, New Orleans, La.,

Collector's Office, Dec 22, 1879.

Ms Dec 20

Messrs Fords, Howard & Hulbert,
Publishers;



Gentlemen;

Your recent publication entitled "A Fowl's Errand" is not for sale at the book-stores, and southern sentiment is such that I doubt if the dealers care to make any effort to sell the work. I am a republican whose history is similar to that of the "Fowls"; there are many in this City whose history is the same. I propose to have the book sold by subscription among republicans, and through the Federal Dept here. Much interest is manifested in the work and I know of but two copies in the City, and I have no doubt that 200 or 300 copies can be sold. Whatever is done must be chiefly "by subscription." What is the discount allowed? The price I understand to be \$1. per copy. If you can allow a discount of 40% you ~~may~~ may forward me by Express ^{\$3.00} at once 25 copies, and what more I may need I can advise you by telegram.

Yours respectfully
C. W. Boothby

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