

D. Nicholson:

Dear Sir:

I enclose, herewith, the two articles upon The Negro Problem in the United States. You will see that I have followed literally the classification you marks prescribed in your letter. It has made me a deal of work, but they cover a field almost untouched and constitute, I think, a very striking presentation of the subject.

I would like to have it copyrighted and while you have the right to publish in your supplement I would like the right to ~~publish~~ include it in a volume of my own to appear during the winter some time.

The articles are a little more than 5,000 words each. If they must be reduced to that limit, when you send me the proof — which I would of course, like you to do — please indicate where you would prefer the reduction to be made.

By the way, I would like to do for the Tribune a series of articles touching the "Land Problem" in the United States showing how little we know about the con-

ditions of land = ownership, and agricul =
tural production in the United States. It is
amazing how little absolute knowledge under =
lays all our speculation of this sort, and
a matter of profound amangement that our
census is so radically defective in re =
gard to it.

The articles was would be the result
of some years of earnest endeavor to
get at the bottom of the question as af =
fecting the United States, and I should want
to reserve the book = right in them.

I do not think I am inclined to magnify
the effect of my work, and I am satisfied
that these articles would make a sensation.
I do not mean that everybody would stand
on their heads in wonder at the way it
would be done but a good many classes
of thinking people - lawyers, Congress men, land =

theorists, farmers and ^{agricultural} laborers, would scratch their heads in some surprise at the resolutions they would make.

I would be glad if you would send check for the articles enclosed as soon as may be as I have special need for it at this time.

Yours truly.