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Abraham Lincoln manuscript material

1864

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Summary

Creator: Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865

Title: Abraham Lincoln manuscript material

Date: 1864

Size: 1 item

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Creator History

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Key Terms

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Subjects

Presidents -- United States -- 19th century -- Correspondence

Names

Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865
Barnes, Joseph K., 1817-1883
Ramsey, Alexander, 1815-1903
Twitchell, R. W., Mrs