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Dear Sir: —

Have been reading your articles on "Booth" during the past weeks — with the greatest interest — especially as it is my purpose to visit the places mentioned in the narrative — during the coming summer — and intend to take various photos while at Washington — in Maryland and Virginia —

It struck me that perhaps you would be interested in the enclosed views — snapshots I took September 4. 1922 at Riverview Park — Chicago — when the "Finis Bates" Booth was on exhibition — for 5 cents a look — It was a sight — a mummy or a dummy — with glass eyes and rusty black hair and moustache — I believe the Bates Booth was supposed to be in the seventies when he "Committed suicide" — but that had affected neither eyes nor hair —

You will please observe that there is a picture of Booth "Confessing" to Finis — on top of a mountain — and — what differs from the story in the Independent of this week — it is not claimed that any Roby or Ruddy was killer in Garrett's barn — but — as picture shows — it was Herold who was killed! So — there you are — Wonder who the poor devil was who was hanged by Uncle Sam at Washington?

Anyway — Your Booth articles are wonderfully fine — and the illustrations most interesting — many of them I have never seen before — so please accept these snapshots with the cordial greetings and well wishes of —

Yours Truly
Axel Axelson