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Mr. F. L. Black
Care the Dearborn Independent
Dearborn, Mich.

Dear Sir:

Regarding the John Wilkes Booth articles in the Dearborn Independent.

Some years ago the alleged body of Booth was exhibited in this city at Riverview Park. The exhibit included a quantity of documents and relics and occupied considerable space. It was not advertised but I discovered it on a business visit to the park and paid a nominal admission fee to see it. Being somewhat interested in American history I examined everything with more care than the average visitor and noticed that the man in charge was nervous about my presence. He approached me finally and asked me what I thought of the exhibit. I answered noncommittally and he then took considerable pains to tell me that no positive claims were made as to the genuineness of the show and that it was all left to the public to believe what they saw fit. He was apparently under the impression that I was some sort of an inspector or officer.

A year or two later at a nearby fair I saw another show with a mummy exactly like the one at Riverview. This one was described as the body of some Western bandit.

According to its literature the Riverview show was owned by Finis L. Bates.

This is not for publication but may be of some interest to you.

Very truly yours,

Chas. C. Grant