Tigard Ore
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Mr F L Black
Detroit Mic

Dear Sir I enclose to You a copy of the Letter of which You desire there is a few Mistakes in wording such as Boles instead of Coyles and L st instead of C st now when I refer to the grave yard I ment the one at Baltimore where they took the body later as You stated in June acount my Uncle had a farm near this grave yard in Baltimore in summer time I went there to help out and in going after blackberries I strolled through the first place as You have stated where he was buried was what we called the pauper grave yard this was at the arsenell grounds now as I have heard that there was not one of the guilty one convicted or at least the ones that were conected befor or after the fact as You know Mrs Surratt was hung for the only reason her and Booth were verry intimate friends I have heard several stories about her house I also knew where it stood and I think it still is there which was on D st & 4½ st this would be in a line from the Ford theatre in Booth making his escape

now I will say that My Mother knew Mrs Suratt
and they were very good friend as I have heard her say
now I lived at No 236 2nd St N.E which is a few
Blk from the Capitol I my self rember the Federial
prison which was known as the old Capitol and
this is where Mrs Suratt was hung I also rember seen
the high Iron fence torn down that inclosed the
Capitol grounds these were all demolished when
Sheperd remodeled the Citty I dont think that
there is another man living that knows more
about the old Citty than I do now just one word
more and that is Booth stoped at the National Hotel
and his room was 228 this Hotell is being or will
be torn down soon this Hotell was just a
few Blk west of Coyels Hotell I was back there
in 1926 after a lapse of about 45 Years now in regard
to the matter of statement I will say there have been severil
wanting information on this matter also to get the R10-
and one man said he could get me (2500.00) well let him get
it other say more well I will split with any of them
that is the reason I got out the afidactive which
I inclose to you I expect that these statement would
be very valuable to some one now I have told only
things that I rember as told to me which taken as
a whole relates practiley the same as Jowes do
and I only did this as a denial to Dr True Willson version
in regard to the ten dollars I have never stated the facts before
and would not now if a arguement had not come up about
the matter there is no question that Booth would not put his
horse in the alley if he was not shure the back stage door
would not be opened for him and as I

believe that my Brother was coached up just what to do and could be relied on I will also say that I had two Sisters that worked at Coyles Hotel at the time so I guess I have been coached up pretty well my self now I wish to say that all I know is what I have heard and remember and that I have the same as I have stated I also inclose to You some more bunk that was in the paper the other day I think that this Willson is a Son of this Dr True Willson I trust this will give You some of the information which has never been known or never would only for some arguments that had come up at this late day and after I related what I knew other got interested that is why I wished a copies of your paper if there is any other information I can give I will gladly do so I wish to say that Barrit was Stable boss for Fraisher but bought the place later and I knew it as Barrits barn and have gone and got horses for people lots of times

Yours Resp

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kindly send these Paper back when You are through and not publish this matter without my consent.

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