Photostat book review "As one expert to Another".

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DEARBORN, MICH.

CHICAGO, ILL. January 7 1938

The Edison Institute
Dearborn
Michigan

Attention: Mr F L Black

Gentlemen: E

We reply to your letter of January 3rd, on the subject of the Prompt Books used by Booth, and other material in connection with Abraham Lincoln.

In contacting Mr Zinkin again in this connection, we are informed that price quoted on the material dealing with the assassination of Abraham Lincoln is the lowest possible - or rock-bottom price in the words of Mr Zinkin; however, he is writing you direct.

In compliance with the "PS" onyour letter, we attach hereto the page from the CHICAGO DAILY NEWS of Wednesday, December 8th, 1937, containing Otto Eisenschiml's review of Izola Forrester's book "This One Mad Act".

Yours very truly
FORD MOTOR COMPANY

A R Reich

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January 3, 1938

Mr A R Reich
Ford Motor Company
Chicago Ill

Dear Mr Reich:

With reference to your letter of December 30 attaching a communication from Mr Arthur Zinkin.

We would not be interested in the Prompt Books used by Booth. These have no connection with Abraham Lincoln.

The material dealing with the assassination offered by Mr Zinkin in a previous letter might interest us providing it could be purchased at a reasonable price, However, we are not sufficiently interested in that to pay anything approaching the figure he asks.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY

F L BLACK

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P S Will you procure for us the page from the Chicago "Daily News" of Wednesday, December 8, 1937, containing Otto Eisenschiml's review of Izola Forrester's book "This One Mad Act".

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Attention: Mr F L Black

Gentlemen: E

We attach another letter received from Mr Arthur Zinkin, 360 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, relating to the sale of John Wilkes Booth, celebrated American author, collection of plays, in which he appeared; all pamphlets being autographed by Mr Booth.

Yours very truly

FORD MOTOR COMPANY

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December 27, 1937

Mr. A. R. Reich
c/o Ford Motor Co.,
12600 Torrence Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Reich:

Not having heard from you in response to my offer concerning the Lincoln Assassination Material, I thought you might be interested in the following item.

BOOTH, John Wilkes. Celebrated American Actor; Assassin of Abraham Lincoln. A REMARKABLE COLLECTION OF MEMENTOESOF THIS TRAGIC AMERICAN HISTORICAL FIGURE, BEING EIGHT(8) ORIGINAL PROMPT BOOKS USED BY BOOTH IN THE VARIOUS NOTABLE PLAYS IN WHICH HE APPEARED. 12mo original paper wrappers, various dates. Each play is enclosed in a cloth protecting case. Following is a list of the plays represented in these prompt books:

The School For Scandal	Rob Roy MacGregor
A New Way To Pay Old Debts	A Kiss In The Dark
The Rake's Progress	The Son Of The Night
The Spectre Bridegroom	The Idiot Witness

Each of the pamphlets is autographed by Booth either on cover, title page, or flyleaf, and several of the pamphlets contain annotations of varying length by him concerning the renering of the line etc.

The scarcity of Booth's autograph in any form is well known. His mere signature is seldom seen, whereas letters or anything which was actually the property of the actor as were these prompy books, is of the greatest rarity. No other prompt books of Boothsappear to have been offered in many years, if ever before.
I am offering this collection to you for $675.00

Cordially yours,

Arthur Zinkin

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