

Oakland Calif.
Nov. 26. 1927.

Rev. Thompson McKinney D. D. ,
Philadelphia Pa.

My Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 5th inst. In response allow me to state that the prices that you have mentioned perhaps have been quoted at various times, however up until two years ago when I bought the body from Mrs Bates I had it leased from her husband and paid him at the rate of one thousand dollars every twenty weeks for a period of five years, therefore you will understand that I have tied up a lot of money in the body and for that and other reasons I am not at all anxious to sell the body.

I am of the opinion that you are correct in your assumption that the body was never exhibited extensively in the east, it was I who exhibited it in Chicago in 1922, I have also exhibited it quite extensively in the middle and western states especially on the Pacific Coast, and my itinerary as planned now will include the south, east, and New England states, and I will advise you when I will enter the territory to which you refer.

The Rev. Clarence True Wilson of Washington D. C. has no proprietary interest in the body whatever, however we have offered to lend our support to Rev. Wilson's efforts in any way possible, or to anyone as a matter of fact so long as such efforts tend to the matter of historical accuracy of the events as they actually occurred, might I at this time inquire what your interests are?, since your letters have not made that clear I am more or less curious and would be pleased to hear from you in that respect.

Trusting that I will hear from you again and that I might sometime soon be privileged to meet and confer with you personally,

I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,


W. B. Evans,

TWM/c,