

W. H. Garrett, the younger of the Garrett
boys who was twenty at the time
Booth was shot in their farm
when interviewed Nov 14, 1920
at the old Garrett place,
~~at his home near Port Conway and~~
~~Royal~~ pointed out the location
of the tobacco barn ~~and the~~ which was
burned and indicated where he
had ~~been~~ ~~was~~ ~~he~~ had been standing
near one corner of the barn while
the parley ^{between} Booth ^{and the officers} took place.
When told that one writer
claimed that Booth and
Herold had been concealed
in one of the corn cribs, ~~he laughed~~
and said there ~~was no~~ he had
been no barn, Mr Garrett
laughed and said that he had
been in the old barn too often
before it was burned ~~to~~ for it
to be mere imagination.

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~~Herold in his confession
changed this
natural for him to plead
innocence - naturally knew
nothing of Ruddy since this was no
such person~~

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agrees "I swear I am lame,
the mythical "Ruddy" wasn't -"