HOTEL GAYOSO MEMPHIS TENN

February 28, 1922.

Mr E G Liebold 225 Boston Blvd East Detroit Michigan

Dear Mr. Liebold:

I am sending you copies of the class of evidence I am now getting on the identification of the body of John Wilkes Booth and the truth of his escape, and herewith begging to assure Mr. Ford and yourself that I am losing no time in an investigation of this matter, and that in keeping with my promise to Mr. Ford that I would stand by this investigation to the end, - which I intend to do if it takes the rest of my life.

In my quiet way I have been doing all I could for Mr. Ford in his purpose to acquire the Muscle Shoals property, and take some pardemable pride in the stand the South and West has taken in the premises both in and out of Congress. This organization of the voters in these sections will stand by my candidate for President of the United States. I founded a little weekly newspaper, The Granbury Vidette, at Granbury, Tex., in the year 1873 or 1874, which was its first newspaper, and is yet being published, and I am going to have my candidate for the Presidency brought out by this paper at the proper time, and in advance of the American press. This, of course, is a mere matter of sentiment with me.

Remember me kindly to Mr. Ford, with best wishes for you personally, I am,

Sincerely, your friend, F. L. Bates

1234 Harbert Ave Memphis Tenn