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Mr. Frank L. Black,  
Dearborn,  
Mich.

My dear friend:

Your interesting letter in re John Wilkes Booth,  
was received last month and enjoyed.

You know that I don't exactly understand Dr. Wilson's  
position.

I related in one of my <sup>letters</sup> some of his statements and  
in your letter I find you have exactly the opposite.

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I have done a little research myself on this line. A friend is Medical Director of the Phoenix Life Ins. Co. I asked him to get one of their agents to look at the directory of the hotel in Fresno, Cal., for the year 1866, to find the name of John S. Helen.

He secured the services of the County Historian who stated there was no building in Fresno till after 1872. How do you account for that?

I can't get in touch with Dr. Wilson altho I have written quite a number of letters. Have never received a reply from Francis Wilson at Lake Mahopae to

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An inquiry about that meeting of John Wilkes on July  
25<sup>th</sup> 1878 in Paris.

But before I go farther, I want you to take some  
interest in another piece of research that is nearer  
to the heart of every man and woman of the age of  
fifty - four and more, than the solution of the problem  
of John Wilkes Booth, and that is the solving of the  
mystery of the abduction of Charles Ross of Philadelphia.

Coffey's Weekly of Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> 24 stated he had been  
found in the early 80's in Wisconsin. Send for a  
copy. J. W. Bidwell - a man of 89 years still



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lives at Houston, Minnesota, but may die at any time. He remembers the boy well who died at the age of 12 in 1882. He was always convinced the lonely little kiddie was the lost boy.

A thorough investigation while this man Bidwell lives with a pronunciamento from the Independent, with illustrations would prove mighty interesting and of great value to every one who lived at that time and are still living. I think it over. But the case requires haste because of the extreme age of Bidwell.

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'Dick' Hicks told me you got your A.B. at Miami. Seems to me either Sanford or McKinley graduated there. Had you are a D.W. You know of the decision of the Supreme Court in your favor. I am a Deke but more than that am a Pan-Hellenist.

Very kindest regards

Cordially in the bonds

Amos T. Harrington.