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Mr. F. L. Black,
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My Dear Mr. Black:

I am in receipt of yours of the 17th and reply at once. Upon receipt of your letter of last September 24th I addressed a reply to you which was evidently received at the office when you were out of the city for I received in turn a letter from some one in your office saying that ~~you~~ ^{Mr. 21, 1926} return the next week (I think that was the reading, I have mislaid it) my communication would be handed you but I never heard from you again except the blank you filled out when mailing a subscription to my Bib. which is now in the hands of the printer.

In my letter I stated that the article I referred to as appearing in the New York American was the same story that you were cognizant of, the Mrs. Payne story, and that it was pasted in a large scrap book I had, but that as you had stated that you planned to spend a few hours with me at the first opportunity (as mentioned in yours of the 24th) I would be glad to place my entire library at your disposal and would give you any assistance I might in any way but if you still wanted the book I would mail it to you. As I said I never heard again and so nothing was done. As to the communication from Admiral Baird, I have nothing detailed; I got in touch with him in research work on Lincoln's last day, he alleging that he was in the Navy Yard that afternoon, and only incidentally did he mention the Wilkes Booth tale.

Let me hear further and rest assured anything I can do I shall be glad to accommodate with.

Cordially,

John Starr