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Dear Friend Bates

When I arrived here the last of the week and found your telegram I was in somewhat of a quandary as to what I should do toward making a reply. Fearing you had left Chicago I decided to write you at Memphis. I knew, of course, that the telegram would follow you, but I thought the information asked for was needed by you for some purpose connected with your visit to Chicago and that you wanted it while you were still there. And not having received your wire within regulation time I had a hunch I could not cooperate.

There were no documents in the trunk - nothing was in it but some old worn clothes. Even the trunk itself had no value. I could not tell you off hand where it is. It is doubtless in Evid among some other things stored there.

What have you done with the mummy
Yours very truly
W. B. Reinman