

March 2, 1938

Dear Mr. FitzHenry:

I have your letter in regard to the Saturday Evening Post article, the revived story of John Wilkes Booth's escape. The story it seems to me ought to do much to explode the story of his escape which I regard as entirely mythical. *article*

Your best sources for information are:- D. M. DeWitt's "Assassination of Lincoln - Oldroyd's "Assassination of Lincoln" - Francis Wilson's "John Wilkes Booth", a carefully done book edited by the actor Wilson. The documentary reports of the trial have been published and I think, but I am not sure, could be obtained from the War Department. Your nearest good library would undoubtedly have them.

It is a pity that a yarn of this sort should take such a deep hold. It is wonderful how people like to believe that which is not true.

If I can be of any further help to you I should be glad.

I remember your paper on "The Human and The Divine in Lincoln". I have it in my collection.

Very sincerely yours

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