

The Young Men's Christian Association
Memorandum

January 25, 1939.

Miss Ida Minerva Tarbell
Bethal, Connecticut.

Dear Miss Tarbell:

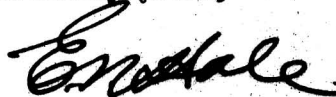
Our Marion Hobby Club has assigned me a paper on "What Happened to John Wilkes Booth," that is, was Booth actually killed and buried, or did he make his escape and live for a long time under the names of John St. Helen and David E. George.

I have considerable material on this subject which I have gathered through the years, and I have also found some interesting information in some of the well known and worth while biographies of Lincoln.

It occurred to me that if I wrote to several of the leading authorities on Lincoln and asked them to give me their opinion on this matter in a letter that it would be interesting and helpful. I am, therefore, writing you for this information. Will you please do this for me? At the time when I am to give my paper is not so far away I will appreciate hearing from you promptly.

Thanking you in advance for your help and co-operation, I am

Cordially yours,



E. N. Hale,
General Secretary.

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