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My dear Mrs. Hall:

May I trouble you for a bit of information? You were so kind when I approached you a year ago with an inquiry that I am daring to trouble you again.

Have you in your Theater Collection a roaster of names of American Actors as far back as the 50's and 60's? I have a reason to believe that there was a theatrical man by the name of Thomas I. Mears who, in 1864, was either playing or helping manage a theater in Cleveland, Ohio. He was associated with John Ellsler and John Wilkes Booth.

I shall be glad to pay for any time spent in looking the matter up.

Thanking you in advance, believe me

Very sincerely yours,

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