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Dear Sir:

I received your letter of the 6th instant, giving account of the trial of Shepherd Long, the colored witness who was suspected of false swearing in the Copley case. I note that the Court, after hearing the testimony on the trial, discharged the accused. This outcome, however, was not a surprise to me, for I feared the other side would produce a formidable array of witnesses and, whether they told the strict truth or not, would not count for very much with the Police Judge. I note your request that Mr. Landrum be set to work to investigate the record of the negro woman, who also testified. Mr. Landrum, at this writing, is out of the state on account of the serious illness of a sister of his, but will no doubt return shortly. In the meantime, I will write Mr. Donohue to have your request in mind and, just as soon as Mr. Landrum is at leisure, to have him investigate the witness in question.

Very truly yours,

SMW/a

Counsel.