

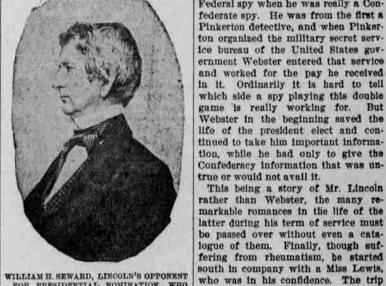
He was an orator-clear, sincere, natural. He did not pre-He did not say what he thought others thought, but what he thought.

If you wish to know the difference between an orator and an elocutionist, between what is felt and what is said, between

that he gives to both north and south this terrible war as the woe due to those by whom the offense came, shall we discern therein any departure from those divine attributes which the believers in a living God always ascribe to him? Fondly do we hope, fervently do we pray, that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away. Yet if God wills that it continue until all the wealth piled by the bondsman's 250 years of unrequited toil shall be sunk and until every drop of blocd drawn with the lash shall be paid by another drawn with the sword, as was said 3,000 years ago, so still it must be said

But I, with mournful tread, Walk the deck my Captain lies Fallen cold and dead.

Walt Whitman



WILLIAM H. SEWARD, LINCOLN'S OPPONENT FOR PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION, WHO BECAME HIS SECRETARY OF STATE. who was in his confidence. The trip was to be his last incursion into the south. Unfortunately he was laid up and when e can make a great noise Chairman Ashmun could be heard he said, 'It would be a great convenience to the clerks if we did not proceed to vote this afternoon, as the tally sheets have not yet arrived and the citizens of Chicago have invited the visiting delegates to a sail upon the lake." "Of course all Illinois and Lincoln men voted for the adjournment, for they wanted to gain time. "They worked all the night through and talked over the delegates as best they could, so that by the next day, when the roll was called, the whole convention was leavened with Lincoln sympathizers, though few dared to go against the organized political preference of their individual states. They had counted upon Cameron of Penn-



MR. LINCOLN AS HE LOOKED IN 1860, WHEN GRACE DEDELL DEQUESTED HIM TO GHOW A BEARD, AND AS HE LOOKED IN 1861, WHEN HE KISSED HER AT WESTFIELD, H. Y.

dent, surrounded by a rail fence. Childlike, the girl told her mother that she thought Lincoln would look better with a beard. Her mother suggested that she write to Mr. Lincoln.

"I remember the day very well," said Mrs. Billings recently, "but I do not recall the exact wording of my letter, though I told Mr. Lincoln that I thought he would improve his appearance by raising a beard. I also told him that the rail fence was all right, and I agreed that if he would grow whiskers I would try to get my brothers to vote for him, although they were Democrats. I remember 1 said that I supposed he had little girls of his own and that they would feel as I did about those whiskers.

"A couple of days later I got a letter from him, and I still have it among my most precious possessions. It reads this way:

"Springfield, Ill., Oct. 19, 1860. "Miss Grace Bedell:

"My Dear Little Miss-Your very agree-able letter of the 16th is received. I regret the necessity of having to say that I have no little girls, but I have three boys-one seventeen, another nine and the youngest seven years old-and they, with my wife, constitute my entire family. As to the whiskers, having never worn any, do you not think people would consider it a piece of silly affectation if 1 were to begin wearing them now?

"A. LINCOLN. "In the latter part of February, 1861, Mr. Lincoln stopped at Westfield on his way to be inaugurated in Washing ton. He made a brief speech from the platform of his car, and at its end he said, 'I have a little correspondent here. and if she is present I'd like to speak to her.'

"'Who is it?' the crowd shouted. 'What is her name?'

"Mr. Lincola gave my name, and 1 was found on the outskirts of the throng and passed up to him. He took me by the hand and said: "You see, I've lot these whiskers

grow for you, Grace.' "Then he kissed me, and his train

moved away. "That was the only time 1 ever saw

Mr. Lincoln, but for several years I heard from him frequently through Mr. Seward. After his death Mr Seward's secretary sent me a piece of napkin that had been bound about the president's head and that was stained with his blood."

what the heart and brain can do together and what the brain can do alone, read Lincoln's wondrous words at Gettysburg and then the speech of Edward Everett. The oration of Lincoln will never be forgotten. It will live until languages are dead and lips are dust. The speech of Everett will never be read. Lincoln was an immense per sonality-firm, but not obstinate. Obstinacy is egotism-firmness, heroism. He influenced others without effort, unconsciously, and they submitted to him as men submit to nature, uncon-

sciously. He was severe with himself and for that reason lenlent with others. He appeared to apologize for being kinder than his fellows. He did merciful things as stealthily as others committed crimes. He knew others because per-

fectly acquainted with himself. He cared nothing for place, but everything for principle; nothing for money, but everything for independence.

He knew neither tyrant nor slave. He neither knelt nor scorned. With him men were neither great nor small: they were right or wrong. Through manners, clothes, titles, rags and race he saw the real-that which is. Beyond accident, policy, compromise and war he saw the end.

He was patient as destiny, whose undecipherable hieroglyphs were so deeply graven on his sad and tragic face.

It is the glory of Lincoln that, having almost absolute power, he never abused it except on the side of mercy.

Wealth could not purchase. power could not awe this divine, this loving man. He knew no fear except the fear of doing wrong. He spoke not to inflame, not to up.

braid, but to convince. He raised his hands not to strike, but in ben adiction. He longed to pardon. He loved HOBT. G. INGERSOLL

to see the pearls of joy on the checks of a wife whose husband he had rescued from death. Lincoln was the grandest fig-

ure of the fiercest civil war. He is the gentlest memory of our world.

"the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether."

WITH MALICE TOWARD NONE, WITH CHARLTY FOR ALL, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let ds strive on to finish the work we are in to bind up the nixion's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations

Memorials at Lincoln's Birthplace





UPPER PICTURE SHOWS LINCOLN STATUE ERECTED IN HODGEN. VILLE, KY., AND SOME OF THE WOMEN WHO RAISED THE FUND. LOWER PICTURE SHOWS MEMORIAL BUILDING DEDI-CATED ON HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF LINCOLN'S BIRTH. BUILT AROUND LOG CABIN IN WHICH HE WAS BORN.



LINCOLN ON ALABAMAS.

President Told England That One More Privateer Would Mean War. Samuel R. Moseley, editor of the Hyde Park (Mass.) Gazette, has written recently a highly interesting Lincoln story.

An incident in the sad and busy life of Mr. Lincoln, Mr. Moseley says in the Gazette, was unfolded to a number of citizens of the town, of whom the writer was one, during an exciting state political campaign, an account of which we have never seen published.

General Benjamin F. Butler was making his campaign for governor, and one evening he spoke in Everett hall, and we never saw a larger audience in the building before or since. After the rally General Butler proceeded to the Everett House, where he was entertained for an hour or more before leaving for Boston.

At the time the Alabama was destroyed by the Kearsarge there was great excitement throughout the country, the general said, especially in view of the fact that England had announced her intention of permitting another privateer to leave an English port to destroy northern commerce on the high seas.

The mere announcement was enough to startle the country, and Mr. Lincoln at once called his cabinet together to consider the matter.

The north's resources were 'greatly reduced by its long struggle with the south, but there was an unmistakable feeling among the loyal people that if leave its shore after the splendid victory of Commodore Winslow at Cherbourg the government would be justified in declaring war on our British cousins.

At the meeting of the cabinet Secrefary of State Seward and others took a conservative view of the question, advising delay, while Secretary of War Stanton and Mr. Lincoln were more aggressive and wanted the matter setfled at once.

Finally Mr. Lincoln took a card from the table and quickly adjourned the meeting after writing these decisive instructions to his secretary of state: "Mr. Seward-You will say to Lord Palmerston that one more Alabama means war.

sylvania and Bates, a St. Louis man, who also was the personal preference of men from other states, to divert the solid Seward vote. But if the vote had been taken on Thursday the Seward men could have surely nominated him on the second ballot. Indeed, they were so sure of victory that they paraded down to the convention hall with banners flying. Meanwhile the loudest Lincoln voices were located in the best seats on that Friday morning when the nominations came.

"Mr. Evarts of New York nominated William H. Seward. Then Mr. Judd of Illinois said, 'I desire on behalf of the delegation from Illinois to put in nomination as a candidate for president of the United States Abraham Lincoln of Illinois."

"Then the names of William L. Dayton of New Jersey, General Simon Cameron of Pennsylvania and Salmon

P: Chase of Ohio were presented, and then C. B. Smith of Indiana desired 'on behalf of the delegation from Indiana to second the nomination of Abra-England permitted another privateer to ham Lincoln of Illinois, and Mr. Delano of Ohio, who also seconded Lincoln's name, called him the man who could split rails and maul Democrats.' "The second vote was very close,

Seward 1841/2 and Lincoln 181. There were only five Massachusetts men who voted for Lincoln on the first and second ballots and only eight Massachusetts men out of the twenty-six, mind you, even on the third, which stood 2311/2 for Lincoln and 180 for Seward,

and so Lincoln was nominated in the midst of an uproar I shall never forget. Governor Andrew of Massachusetts was the first to endeavor to make the vote unanimous, Lincoln ultimately getting 364 votes. Andrew and Evarts of New York made the first A. LINCOLN." addresses to that end."

a long while in Richmond with rheumatism. Miss Lewis nursed him. During this time nothing was heard from him at Washington, and the president and others who knew of his mission became anxious about him. It was determined to send the members of the secret service force south to look for him.

The two men went to Richmond They learned that Webster was lying ill at a hotel and blundered by going directly to see him without communicating with him. In his room they found a Confederate and were rash enough to hand him a letter from Allan Pinkerton which, they said, came from a friend of his in Baltimore. They came again and unfortunately met an officer from the provost marshal's office. This meeting led to their examination. They were identified by a person who knew them, and all was

When the news came to General Mc-Clellan's headquarters that the two men had been arrested as sples and had implicated Webster, Allan Pinkerton hurried to Washington to see Mr. Lincoln and discover if anything could be done to save them. Singularly enough, Webster had saved Lincoln's life, and now Lincoln was called upon to save Webster's life.

Mr. Lincoln called a special meeting of the cabinet to devise means to save the spies' lives. Nothing could be done except to communicate through the secretary of war calling the atten-

tion of the authorities at Richmond to the fact that the United States government had always been lenient to Confederate spies and had never tried or sentenced to death any one caught carrying information. The message closed with a threat of inaugurating a different code in future if the sples were executed.

Neither the fact pointed out nor the threat availed. Webster was hanged, Miss Lewis was imprisoned for a year, and the two men who caused the tragedy were imprisoned for twentytwo months. It is not probable that they would have escaped had they not implicated Webster. But it must be remembered that they had only indirectly been sples.

The last event of similarity between Mr. Lincoln and Webster occurred three years later, when Mr. Lincoln was again the object of the assassin's bullet. The double tragedy contains two singular coincidences. Both died for the cause, though neither of them as a soldier, and both died tragie deaths, one being hanged for a spr. the other murdered.

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TAXES DUE AND PAYABLE.

Monday County Clerk William Mulvey turned the tax roll books over to Sheriff Mass. The tax roll has been

The answer of friends at their home Thesday evening. "500" was the game of the evening. Dainty re freshments were served and a pleas-at the game the series of the evening. Dainty re a dynamite ca; about two weeks ago. Extra help has been secured and the courthouse will be a busy place for the next few weeks. By paying the W. J. E. Vick of Liberal was an Oregon City visitor Tuesday. W. H. Brener of Hubbard made 'a basiness trip to this city Monday.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

H. L. Ward, a prominent merchant acted business in this city Monday. of Jefferson, passed through this city Monday on his way to Portland, where he purchased a large consign-

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ment of valentines for his store. Chester Miller, of Portland, was an Oregon City visitor Monday. Miss Edra and Nora May, of Portland, were the guests of Miss Zida Goldsmith Monday afternoon. Mrs. M. B. Farey, of Willamette, is very ill from pneumonia.

W. J. E. Vick, of Liberal, is an Monday night for Chico, Cal., where Miss Ethel Tooze, who has been Oregon City visitor today. W. H. Brenner, of Hubbard, trans-

The machinery has arrived for the Mrs. Hewett, wife of Judge Hewett new planing mill that is being erected of Albany, who has been the guest of on Molalla avenue by Frank Welch her sister. Mrs. W. R "Ellis in Green It will be set up immediately and the Point, left Wednesday morning for valentine social in the church parlors. mill will soon he in running order. her home in Albany.

Miss Lena Chamberlain, of the Holmes Store, is ill at her home in Gladstone, Mrs. Chas. Van Orden tak-been on the sick list for the last few N W Chart Soft Portland, her ave the score during her days, is improving. Chris Schwartz and Carp Offen left an Oregon City visitor Wednesday. N. W. Carr of Portland, has ac-cipted the position in the Western Union Telegraph Co. recently vacat-ed by Ray Barbour. ing her place in the store during her days, is improving.

Marshall Lazelle made a business trip to Portland Thursday.

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R. I. Shepard, of Sellwood, has ac-

valentine social in the church parlors, Monday evening, February 18. A

County Clerk William Mulvey is on cepted the position recently vacated the sick list. by Emery Noble in the office of the Attorney Thresher for Milwaukie,

was transacting business in this city Wednesday.

has been brought home from Portland. The little fellow is doing as well as

Portland Railway, Light & Power Co. Mr fand Mrs Henry Streibig en-

ant time was spent by all present.

Oregon City visitor Tuesday.

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