

We have the Richmond *Whig* of yesterday containing the following of interest:

The heaviest blow which has ever fallen upon the people of the South has descended.

Abraham Lincoln, the President of the United States, has been assassinated.

The Chief Magistrate of the nation, at any period of its history, has never been the victim of the most deplorable calamity which has ever befallen the people of the United States.

The thoughtless and the vicious may affect to derive satisfaction from the quiet and tragic close of the President's career, but every reflecting person will deplore the awful event.

Just as everything was happily commencing to a restoration of tranquility, under the benign and manly administration of Mr. Lincoln, comes this terrible blow.

God grant that it may not rekindle excitement or inflame passion again.

The thoughts of war, almost fratricidal, should give rise to bitter feelings and bloody deeds in the field was to be expected, but that the assassin's knife and bullet should follow the peaceful and unassuming Chief Magistrate, and reach them when surrounded by their friends, is an atrocity which will shock and appal every honorable man and woman in the land.

The secrecy with which the assassin or assassins pursued their victims indicates that there were but few accomplices in this inhuman deed.

The adherence to which it is regarded on all sides, will be a happy dispensation and malignant men from the emulation of the infamy which attaches to this infernal deed.

We cannot pursue the subject further. We contemplate too deeply and painfully the terrible aspects of this calamity to comment upon it.

The facts, as we have officially ascertained, are as follows: The President visited Ford's Theatre Friday night, and about thirty minutes past ten o'clock, while leaving the theatre, he was shot by a party of men.

He died at twenty-two minutes past seven yesterday morning.

His wound was also wounded in his own house. He is in a fair way to recover.

The people of Petersburg had this affliction news yesterday before it was made public.

John Lyon, and other prominent citizens, issued a call for a public meeting to express, in words, their grief for so sad an event.

The meeting was held at the residence of Mr. Lyon, and was attended by a large number of citizens.

The arrival of Gen. Lee.

General R. E. Lee arrived in this city about three o'clock Saturday evening.

Attended by five members of his staff, he rode into the city over the pontoon bridge at the foot of 17th street.

He was met at the foot of the bridge by a large number of citizens.

Passing rapidly through the city, he was recognized by a large number of citizens.

His visit has, it is believed, been a very successful one.

He is expected to remain in the city for some time.

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ABRAHAM LINCOLN, President of the United States of America.

To all whom it may concern.

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In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Given under my hand at the City of Washington, the 11th day of April, A. D. 1865.

By the President: ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

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Satisfactory evidence having been exhibited to me that H. CLAUSSWEIN has been appointed Consul of the Grand Duchy of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, at Chicago, I do hereby recognize him as such, and declare him free to exercise and enjoy such functions, powers, and privileges, as are allowed to Consuls by the law of nations, or by the laws of the United States, and existing treaty stipulations between the Government of Mecklenburg-Schwerin and the United States.

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