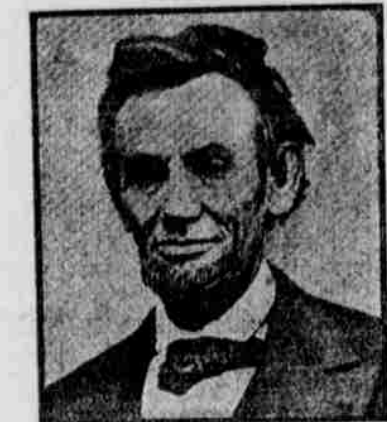




A New Story of the Assassination of Lincoln.

By W. H. TAYLOR, an Eye-Witness of the Tragedy.

The program which I own of a performance at Ford's Fifth Street Theatre...



The Last Photograph of Abraham Lincoln, Taken on the Sunday Before His Assassination...

General Grant and other notables were to attend Ford's Theatre that night. This caused me to resolve upon going to the theatre...

About the middle of the first act the President and party arrived and were received with loud and hearty applause...

About the middle of the third act a shot was heard and immediately thereupon rang out John Wilkes Booth's cry, "Sic semper tyrannis..."



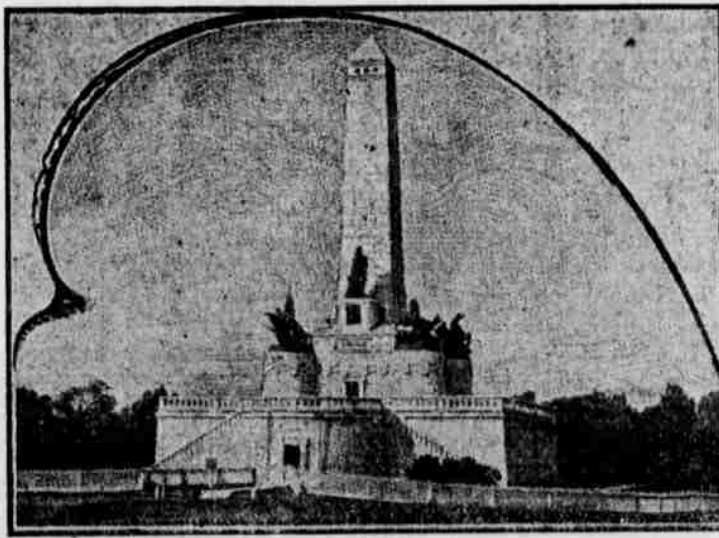
JOHN WILKES BOOTH, THE MURDERER OF LINCOLN. From a Woodcut Published in Harper's Weekly For April 29, 1865.

endeavoring to climb up to the box from the stage. Meantime, the President had remained sitting in his chair...

Strangely enough, an assassination plot seemed to have been understood at once, for word was passed around that the place would be blown up...

As the place remained brilliantly lighted and there seemed to be no immediate danger, we went back to the President's box...

LINCOLN'S FINAL RESTING PLACE.



The Monument Erected Over the Tomb of the Great Emancipator in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Illinois, and the Scene of Elaborate Centenary Exercises.

the fact and not before it, if he had any guilty knowledge of the conspiracy. Where his sympathies really were, however, was readily conjectured, for he harbored Booth and afforded him every surgical and friendly assistance in his power...

The blood-stained program has never been out of the hands of my immediate family. Soon after the occurrence I gave it to my mother, Mrs. Mary A. Taylor, of Trenton Falls, N. Y., in whose custody it remained until her death in 1889...

Although the conspiracy was of considerable magnitude, it was not more than sufficient to satisfy Wilkes Booth's morbid craving for notoriety. He had signally failed as an actor and was known to be a man of a moody disposition...

tives for many years, knew one of this band very well, and he used to tell Christie some of the wise utterances of Wilkes Booth, one of which was: "The fame of the youth who fired the Ephesian dome will outlive that of the pious fools who reared it..."

Where Lincoln Was Shot.



Ford's Theatre, Washington, in Which Lincoln Was Occupying a Box When Shot by John Wilkes Booth, April 14, 1865.

leg. Passed all his pickets, and so on. Toward the last he wrote: "After being hunted like a dog through swamps, etc., etc., I am here in despair, and why? For doing what Brutus was honored for—what made Tell a hero..."

The personnel of this organization under Wilkes Booth as a guiding spirit was what might have been expected. Payne and Atzerodt were just ordinary thugs without a vestige of character...



Plant Shade Trees.

The farmer who cuts down all the shade trees in his pasture to prevent his cows wasting time lying in the shade is lowering the milk mark in his pail, and inviting the attacks of gaddys and sunstroke...

Feeding the Colts.

Some farmers seem to think that the colts can live out in all kinds of weather and thrive on any kind of food they can get. This is a great mistake, however...

An Educator.

I think a good scale is the best educator on the farm for the boys. By constantly weighing cattle and horses, as well as hay, etc., a boy gets his judgment developed so that it knows wonderfully accurate...

The Pig the Farmer's Friend.

No animal on the farm is better adapted to turning good feed quickly into marketable meat than the hog, and none can better repay, from a market standpoint, a discriminating system of feeding...

Remedy for Cold.

The owner of most flocks of fowls has been troubled more or less with colds, in spite of the best care. The following remedy is a simple one, and one that you have at hand at all times...

The Farm Meat Barrel.

It is no better business than it used to be to sell the hogs, receive market price, less the freight and a shipper's profit, to be killed at some packing centre and shipped back to be sold to the producer with all the expenses, freight and dealer's profits added...

Farmers Do Not Know.

I read an article by W. J. Stillman, Chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry, United States Department of Agriculture, who states that the chief cause of slower response to the modern science of agriculture is due to the isolation of the farmer...

A Dangerous Doctrine.

That Chicago husband who is endeavoring that he is entitled to a divorce because his wife plays poker should pause to consider that he is setting up a dangerous doctrine...

they knew that the Government actually begged them to tell their difficulties as to the raising of their crops the results that would accrue to the Nation in a few years would be stupendous...

In my section of the country many beautiful farm lands are deserted, and I have heard men say "I would not give \$3 an acre for that land." And why not? The answer is: The land is worn out; it will not produce as it used to. Well, where has St. Perkins gone? Oh, he's gone over to Canada; they've got better farm land over there...

Right here is where he must be stopped and told that his land is all right and what he must do to make it produce. What he needs is a specialist to tell what the remedy is and how to apply it. Most farmers are not familiar with rotation of crops or irrigation or treating the soil that has developed toxins as a result of decayed organic material...

Stable Conveniences.

So much of the farmer's profit from his cattle depends on their comfort in winter that he can hardly give too much thought to securing for them the very best accommodations that he can afford. Fortunately, the requisite degree of comfort to keep them in good condition may be obtained at a very small expense...

State of Pennsylvania

Child Labor Law.

Shenandoah.—J. W. Cooper, superintendent of the public schools of this town, scored the new Child Labor Law, declaring that besides the excessive extra work it entails on the school district, it imposes unusual hardships on poor widows, crippled parents and orphan children...

150-Foot Fall.

Pottsville.—Falling from the top of the Silverton Colliery breaker, S. Snyder, of Mineville, sustained serious fatal injuries. Stepping on a loose board, he dropped 150 feet and landed on a pile of rocks. He sustained many fractures and internal injuries...

Lehigh University.

South Bethlehem.—In memory of Eckley B. Cox, who was an active alumnus and valued trustee of Lehigh University from its early days, the Board of Trustees announced that they had decided to name the new \$30,000 mining laboratory now being erected on the campus, the Eckley B. Cox Laboratory...

Blaze in Pittsburg Hotel.

Pittsburg.—The Hotel Birmingham, South Side, was discovered ablaze. Twenty-six guests were forced to flee down the fire escapes in their night dresses. Clayton Williams, proprietor of the hotel, and his wife, were seriously burned in their efforts to quell the flames. The loss was slight...

Sane Fourth For Berwick.

Berwick.—Burgess Hottler, of Berwick made arrangements in order that local dealers could not afterwards complain that they had not been properly warned, that Berwick would have a safe and sane celebration of the Fourth of July this year and that any dealer selling fireworks of any kind would be promptly fined...

Carlisle V. M. C. A.

Carlisle.—Carlisle's Young Men's Christian Association, with a membership of 239, has inaugurated a novel campaign to secure 500 members. It is being conducted by William Ogilby, and Dr. Harvey Mentzer, the association has been divided into rival forces, known as the "Reds" and the "Blues"...

Baseball Player A Benedict.

York.—Thomas P. Carroll, one of the best semi-professional baseball players of this section, was married to Miss Minnie Fallon, by Rev. Joseph M. O'Hara, of the Annapolis Church. They were attended by Miss Anna Carroll, as maid of honor, and J. J. Carroll, as best man...

Drinks Poison For Medicine.

York.—Mistaking a bottle of poison for cough medicine, Mrs. William Essig, of Whiteville, drank the contents and she now lies at her home in a critical condition...

Hoodooed Badge.

Phoenixville.—Convinced that fire police badge No. 13 of the Phoenix Hose, Hook and Ladder Company, is attended with a trail of ill luck, a member of the company recently eluded as a fire policeman, has refused to serve if he is compelled to wear the hoodooed badge. Llewellyn contends that all his predecessors have met with misfortune of one character or another, and the company will get him another badge...

Arrested On Swindling Charge.

York.—After wandering about this country and Canada for over a year, dodging detectives, who of ill luck, caught George Barber, a former resident of this city, was arrested here. Barber is charged with false pretense, having, it is said, secured \$250 from Mrs. Anna Breneman, a widow, promising to use the money to operate a barber shop for her. It is said he failed to keep his promise...

Tries To Murder His Family.

York.—Lewis Falkenstein, an aged farmer, near Paradise, this county, became violently insane and threatened to murder the members of his family and set fire to the house. With the assistance of neighbors Falkenstein was strapped to a chair to prevent him from carrying out his threats. He had been committed to the almshouse and will later be taken to the Harrisburg asylum...

Presents Hall To College.

Bethlehem.—James W. Beck, of New York City, formally presented to the Moravian College the new Students' Hall, his gift to the college in memory of his father. The presentation was purposely arranged to occur on Thursday, which was the seventeenth birthday of Dr. Augustus Schultze, president of the institution...

Stole Two Miles Of Wire.

Phoenixville.—The biggest wire theft that has been committed in this section has been uncovered by local detectives of the telephone company, and three arrests, two men and one woman have been made. The wire, nearly two miles of it, was found at the home of Mrs. Thomas Elvin, who with her son, Robert, and Mahlon Beard, was arrested...

Pastor's Salary \$10,000.

Pittsburg.—Because he refused a chair in the faculty of Princeton Theological Seminary and a college which later refused the presidency of a Kentucky college, Rev. William L. McEwen, of the Third Presbyterian Church of this city, known as the Thaw church, has had \$3,500 a year added to his salary. Dr. McEwen will now receive \$10,000, making him the highest paid minister in western Pennsylvania. Mrs. Mary Copeley Thaw has been prominent in the support of the church...

Dr. C. E. Albright Dies.

Williamsport.—Dr. C. E. Albright, one of Muncy's oldest citizens, died, aged nearly 78 years. He was well known throughout this section, both as a physician and an inventor of note. The Muncy purse was one of his most profitable inventions. Dr. Albright and his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth, are surviving sons...

Catawqua Pastor Resigns.

Catawqua.—To accept a call to Plainfield, Mass., Rev. F. F. Davies, pastor of the Bethel Congregational Church, has resigned...

Printers' Bolt.

Pottsville.—The Schuylkill County Commissioners are in a quandary because of the fact that every Schuylkill County printing office has refused to print the ballots for the Spring election. There are 158 districts in the county and an entirely different ballot must be provided for each district. As a heavy bond is required for the performance of the work in the legal time allowance none of the local publishing houses would undertake the risk. It is feared that part of the county will have to go without an election unless the commissioners are able to make arrangements with outside printing houses...

Begin 300-Foot Bridge.

Pottsville.—As a part of the \$1,000,000 railroad yards of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Company, stretching between Mill Creek and St. Clair, work was started on the foundation for a new lattice bridge to be erected at Dormers, a point midway between the two towns. It will be 300 feet long, and will be the largest structure of the kind in Schuylkill County. Another bridge will be built at Paterson to avoid a grade crossing...

Close Port Carbon Schools.

Port Carbon.—At a meeting of the School Board it was decided to close the schools for an indefinite period because of an epidemic of measles in the town, more than 100 cases being reported...

Crushed In The Machine.

Shenandoah.—Amandus Knecht, a prominent member of many secret societies, was caught in the machinery of the Locust Mountain Powder company plant and instantly killed. He resided at Brandenburg...

Save Entombed Man.

Girardville.—Robert Catoth had a miraculous escape from death at De-Turke Colliery. He was robbing pillars when caught by a heavy rush of coal. He was entombed for five hours and was given up as dead, but a rescuing party finally took him out alive and practically unharmed...

Charles E. McCloskey Dies.

Manetta.—Charles E. McCloskey, one of Lancaster County's most prominent men, died, aged 46 years, after a brief illness. He was a graduate of several colleges, an Odd Fellow of note, a Mason and member of the Patriarch Militant...

Did Not Recognize Her Son.

York.—Having left his home here thirty-five years ago at the age of 18, P. Oliver Stambaugh returned for the first time. So great a change had been wrought in the years of absence that neither the son nor the mother when they met recognized each other. He has been in the West during his absence from York...

Homes Of Officials Burn.

Lewisburg.—The homes of Burgess George M. Wolfe and ex-Register and Recorder William E. Housel were damaged by fire...

Killed Sitting On Rail.

Chester.—James Dawson a signal man on the Pennsylvania Railroad, was struck by a passenger train, No. 51, near Highland Avenue Station, Dawson, who boarded at 703 Monroe Street, Wilmington, Del., and who is survived by a widow was seated on the rail repairing a switch signal when struck...

Mad Bull Loses Fight.

Williamsport.—A mad bull on the farm of Elmer Edler, in Woodward Township, charged upon Edler while he and several assistants were trying to capture the animal. The bull, in its blind assault, ran into a wagon, locked its horns in the spokes of a wheel and was held a prisoner while shots were fired to end its life...

Fall 8 Floors In Elevator.

Pittsburg.—Six workmen were injured, one fatally, when an elevator in an unfinished building in Allegheny fell eight stories landing a wrecked mass of timbers and heat iron, in the basement...

Baseball Star Marries.

Catawqua.—In the Bridge Street Presbyterian Church Miss Mayme S. Weisley and R. P. Schneider were married by Rev. H. W. Ewing. Mr. Schneider was last year captain of the Lafayette Colliery baseball team and after leaving college created a sensation by his twirling for the Reading Tri-State League playing under the name of Dank. The wedding trip will be to California where the bridegroom has signed with the Oakland base ball team of the Pacific League...

Monument For Ben Franklin.

Bethlehem.—Members of historical societies of the Lehigh Valley have started a movement to erect a memorial to Benjamin Franklin, near a fort which he built at Weissport, 154 years ago...

Family Claims Old Fortune.

New Castle.—Members of the Drake family in Western Pennsylvania have organized and on February 18 will meet in Niles, Ohio, where plans will be formulated by prominent attorneys to secure a fortune said to have been left by Sir Francis Drake to his son, Captain in the British Chancery Courts. The fortune is estimated at \$200,000,000...

Women Climb Aloft.

Pittsburg.—Fourteen members of the crew of the sand boat Diamond, twelve men and two women, had narrow escapes from death when the craft sank in the Ohio River. When near Larles Head, the Diamond plunged her bow into the water, and before the shoeing crew could be aroused had sunk five feet below the surface. By climbing out on the superstructure the men and women managed to keep afloat until help arrived...

Dr. Rose Ringold is the only woman contract surgeon in the United States Army. When on duty she wears a divided skirt and a uniform coat. She is especially interested in the hospital problem of an army in the field, and has made a study of the work of the Japanese hospital corps in the war with Russia...