

The Assassination of the President!

More Particulars of the Tragedy at Washington!

ANDREW JOHNSON PRESIDENT.

Through the courtesy of Col. Lyon, of Gen. Smith's staff, we have been permitted the use of a copy of the Atlanta Intelligencer of the 25th, from which we learn of the assassination of President Lincoln and Secretary Seward, the occupation of Macon, by Gen. Wilson, the capitulation of Lee's army, and the armistice between Generals Sherman and Johnston.

The following order of the Secretary of War, embraced in a telegraphic dispatch confirms the news which we published last week relative to the assassination of Mr. Lincoln at the Theatre in Washington City, and of the attempted assassination of Secretary Seward. A more appalling tragedy has not transpired in centuries. Truly may men exclaim, even from the highest places "what shadows we are and what shadows do we pursue!" This sad event will cast a universal gloom over the nation, and North and South, this cowardly assassination will excite the most intense indignation. We trust the assassin and his accomplices may be yet apprehended. The following is Secretary Stanton's dispatch:

WASHINGTON, April 16.

To Major General Sherman:

President Lincoln was murdered about ten o'clock last night in this city by an assassin who shot him in the head with a pistol about the same time Mr. Seward's house was entered by another assassin, who stabbed the Secretary in several places, but it is thought he may possibly recover. But his own son, Fred, may possibly die of wounds received from the assassin.

The assassin of the President, leaped from the box of the Theatre brandishing his dagger and exclaiming, "*sic semper tyrannus*,"—"Virginia is avenged."

Mr. Lincoln fell senseless from his seat and continued in that condition until twenty minutes after ten o'clock this morning at which time he breathed his last.

Vice President Johnson now becomes President and will take the oath of office and assume the duties to-day.

[Signed]

E. M. STANTON.

Secretary of War.