

THE ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT.—

The many reports which have reached us of the assassination of Mr. Lincoln and attempted assassination of Mr. Seward begin to assume the semblance of truth. If true, the brutal act of this Washington murderer will find no endorsement among the intelligent classes of the South, we feel assured. No matter what political differences may have existed, no good man or woman in the Southern country, any more than those of the loyal Northern States of the Republic, can receive this sad intelligence with other than feelings of regret, and will deplore the lamentable occurrence the more at such a time, that it is calculated to increase the complexities and embarrass the actions of good and true men of both sections who have ever desired and do still desire, that the whole country may be speedily brought to the enjoyment of its wonted peace and security. Wicked and wrong-headed as may have been its direction we cannot believe that the Richmond Head of the rebellion, have any sympathy with or is in any way accessory to this diabolical murder. So far as the unfortunate masses of the South, who have been made the unwilling instruments of this rebellion, and who have been the chief sufferers under the grinding despotism in which it resulted, they deplore the event quite as much as their countrymen of the North, and would rejoice in common with their fellow citizens of the entire nation in the apprehension and punishment of the assassins and their accomplices.

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