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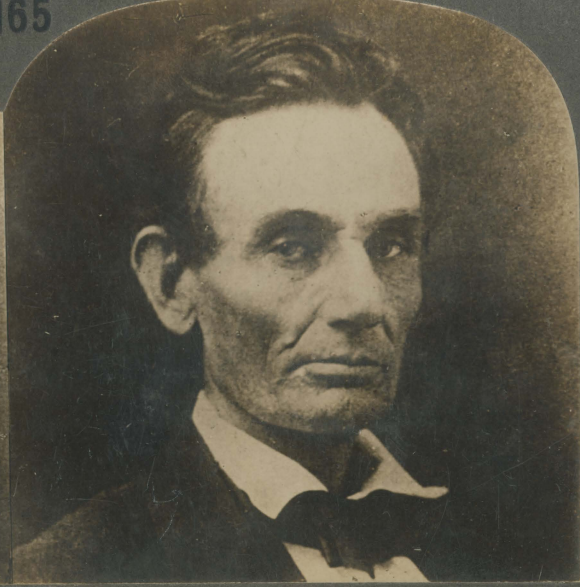
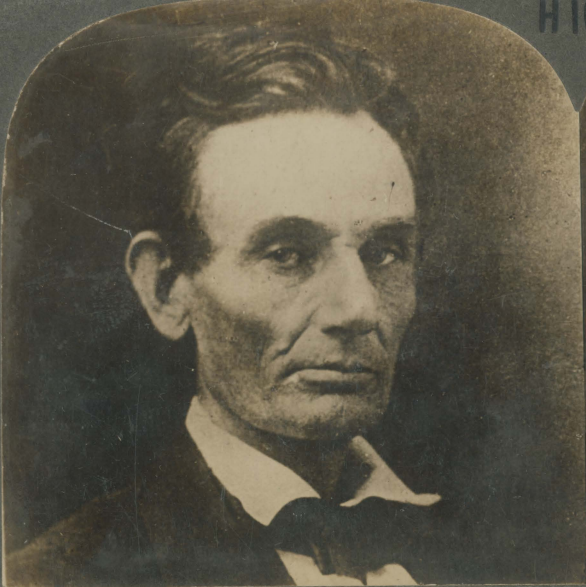
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PORTRAIT OF LINCOLN

This is Lincoln, the President, who bore the burden of the great Civil War. It is a face full of gentleness and kindness that won most of the people with whom he came in contact. Sympathy was the strongest element in his nature and attracted people to him. He could not bear to see any living thing suffer pain. He had grown up among the poor and ignorant. He studied until he knew more than they; he rose far above them yet he never looked down upon them; he always understood them and this helped to make him the great leader that he was. He never lost his natural unaffected ways.

Mr. Lincoln loved to laugh, it rested him. He told witty stories that made his meaning clear. He had the face of a thinker; he reasoned clearly and used English of rare beauty. He spoke in simple words that every person could understand. His face shows his infinite

patience, too. When the Northern Armies were beaten and the President was criticized by the ones who should have encouraged and helped him, he kept right on patiently working to save the Union. "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation'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 a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations." So he ended his second inaugural. The world had never seen a victorious ruler caring less for self. When the news of his death was known a wail of sorrow rose from all over the land. Friend and foe praised him as one of the greatest and best of men. As Secretary Stanton said: "Now he belongs to the ages."