# LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

#### THE GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

BY
ABRAHAM
LINCOLN
NOV.19 1863



AT THE
DEDICATION
SERVICES
ON THE
BATTLE FIELD

Lourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. \* \* Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. \* \* We are met on a great battle-field of that war. \* We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. \* \* It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. \* \* But in a larger sense we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. \* The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember, what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. \* \* It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; \* that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain: that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of free dom, and that the government of the people, by the people. and for the people, shall not perish from the earth

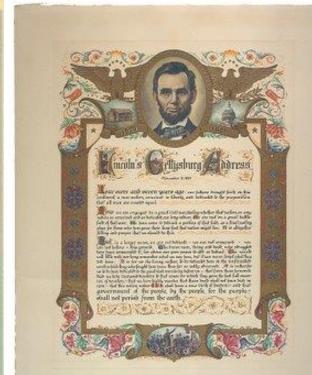


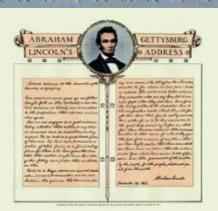


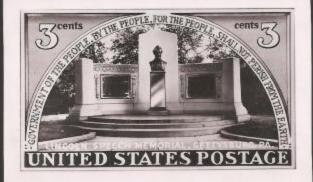
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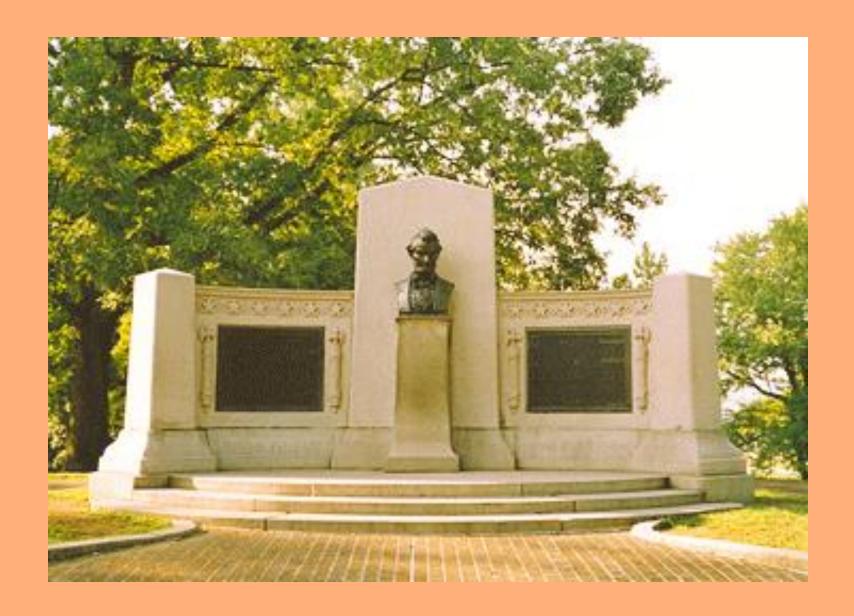




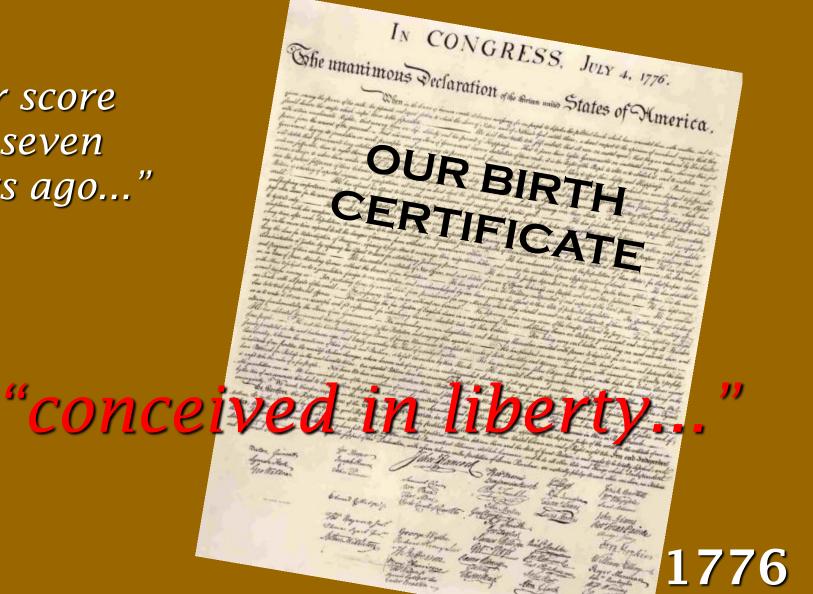


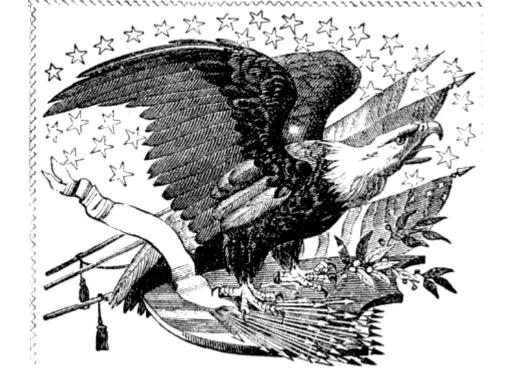
Lincoln's Address at the Dedication of the Gettysburg National Cemetery, November 19, 1863.

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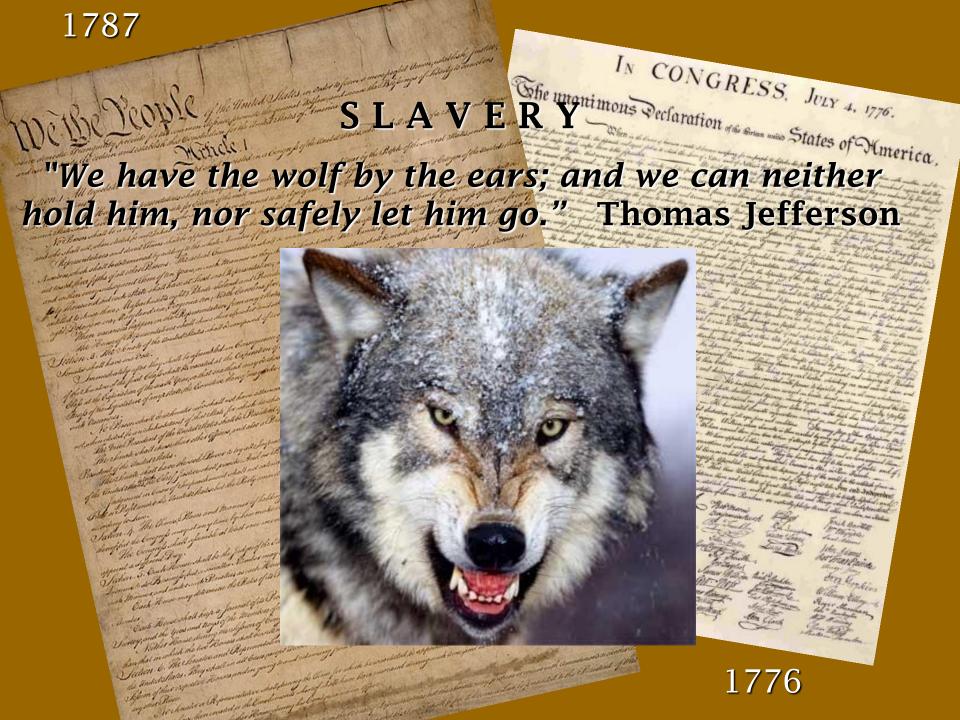


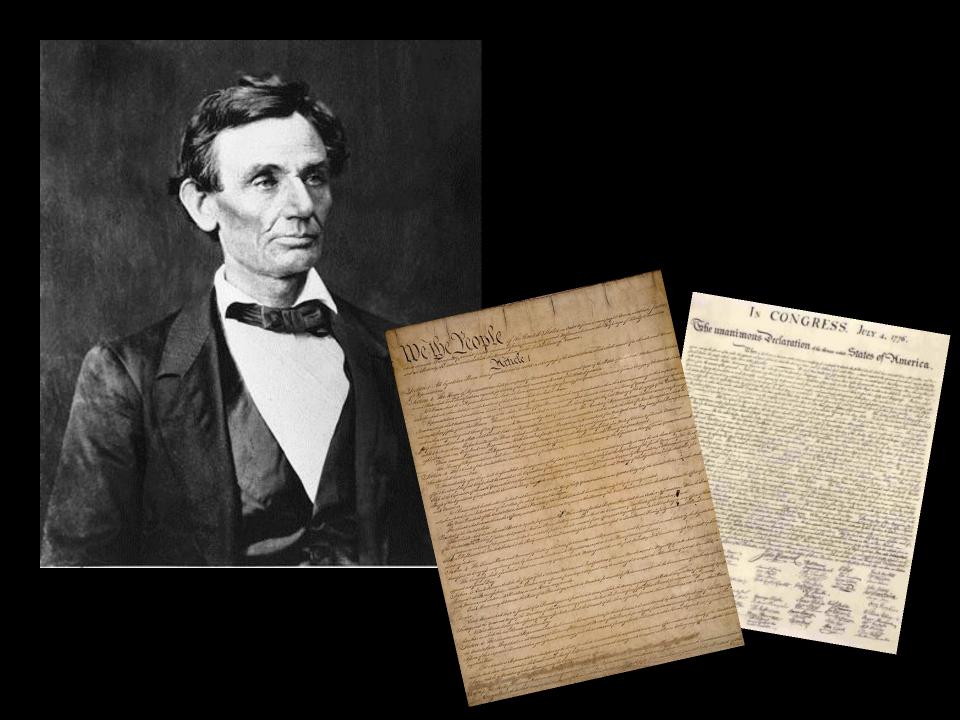
# **FREEDOM**

**Democracy** 

**Equality** 

Union

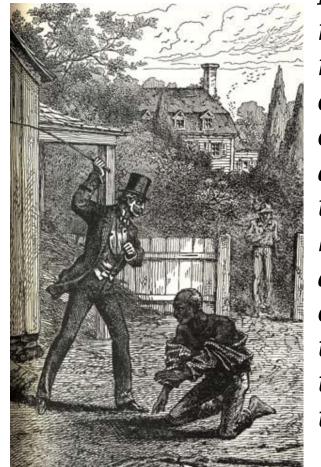




Lincoln's 1855 letter to his close friend, Joshua Speed:

"You know I dislike slavery, and you fully admit the abstract wrong of it. So far there is no cause of difference. But you say that sooner than yield your legal right to the slave... you would like to see the Union

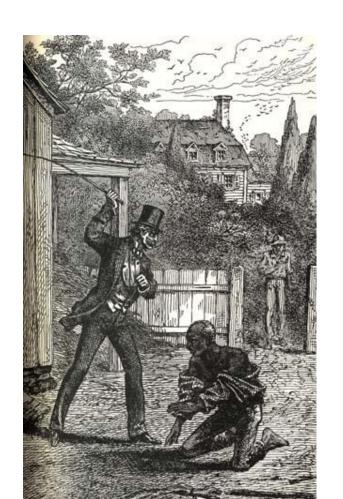
dissolved...



I also acknowledge your rights and my obligations under the Constitution in regard to your slaves [yet] I confess I hate to see the poor creatures hunted down and caught and carried back to their stripes and unrequited toil; but I bite my lips and keep quiet... You ought rather to appreciate how much the great body of the Northern people do crucify their feelings, in order to maintain their loyalty to the Constitution and the Union."

Lincoln (1855 letter to a Kentucky friend):

"Can we, as a nation, continue together permanently—forever—half slave and half free?"



Lincoln (1857 speech):

"A house divided against itself cannot stand... I believe the government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free."

JOHN C. PREMONT

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## POLITICAL MAP OF THE UNITED STATES,

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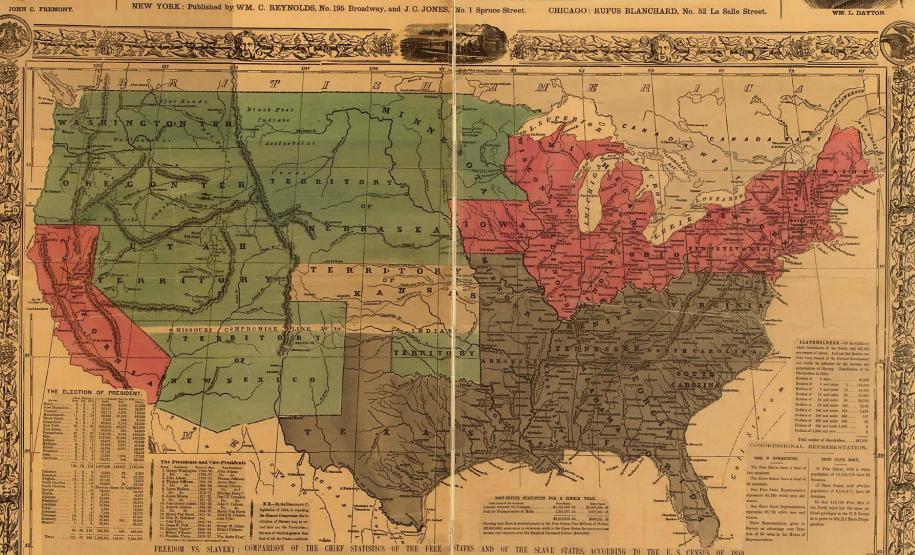
TO EXHIBIT

THE COMPARATIVE AREA OF THE FREE AND SLAVE STATES,

AND THE TERRITORY OPEN TO SLAVERY OR FREEDOM BY THE REPEAL OF THE MISSOURI COMPROMISE.

WITH A COMPARISON OF THE PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE FREE AND SLAVE STATES, FROM THE CENSUS OF 1850.







Alexander Stephens
Quit as U.S. Senator,
Became Vice-President,
Confederate States of America

"The new [Confederate]
Constitution has set at rest
for ever all agitating
questions relating to our
peculiar institution—African
slavery as it exists among
us—the proper state of the
negro in our form of
civilization."

# **PROPOSITION**, n. s as z. [L. *propositio*, from *propositus*, *propono*.]

- In logic, part of an argument in which some quality, negative or positive, is attributed to a subject.
- In mathematics, a statement in terms of a truth to be demonstrated.
- In oratory, that which is affirmed as the subject of the discourse.

Webster's 19<sup>th</sup> C. Dictionary

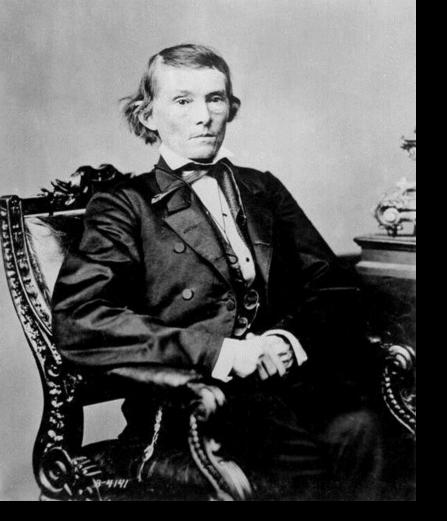
"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal."

**Equality** 

#### Slavery

"the negro is not equal to the white man; slavery— subordination to the superior race—is his natural and normal condition."

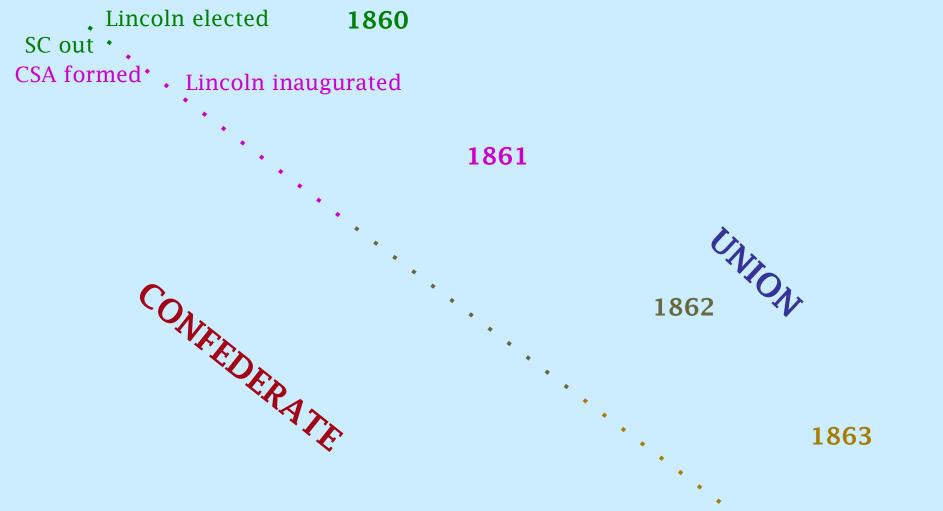
# The Clash of Propositions



#### Alexander Stephens Vice-President, Confederate States of America

# SLAVERY

"This was the immediate cause of the late rupture, and present revolution. Jefferson in his forecast had anticipated this as the rock upon which the old Union would split. He was right."



# **Time Line**



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Lincoln elected 1860
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CSA formed. Lincoln inaugurated
  Ft. Sumter*
    1st Manassas*
                                      1861
                              Ft. Donelson*
                                  Shiloh* New Orleans*
                                                  1862
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                              Fredericksburg* • . Emancipation Proclamation
                                                                    1863
                                    Chancellorsville* *
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## **Time Line**

Significant Battles\*

Ft. Sumter\* 1st Manassas

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Seven Days\*\*

2<sup>nd</sup> Manassas\*\* Antietam\*

1861

Fredericksburg\* •

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1863

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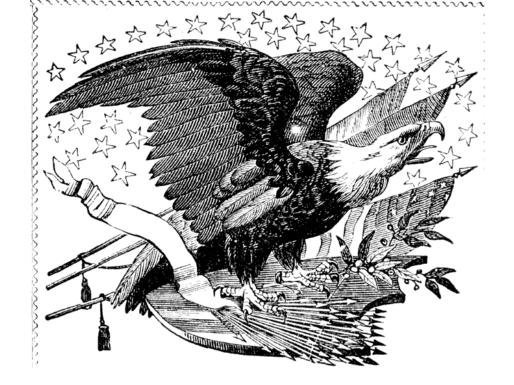
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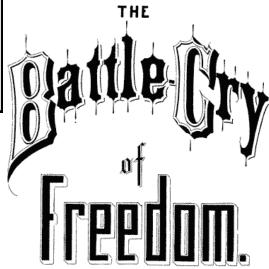


# **FREEDOM**

And over what cause were Americans fighting and killing each other?







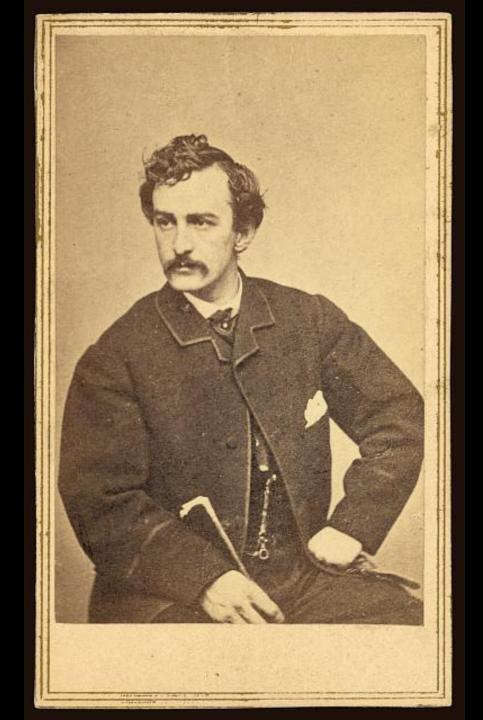
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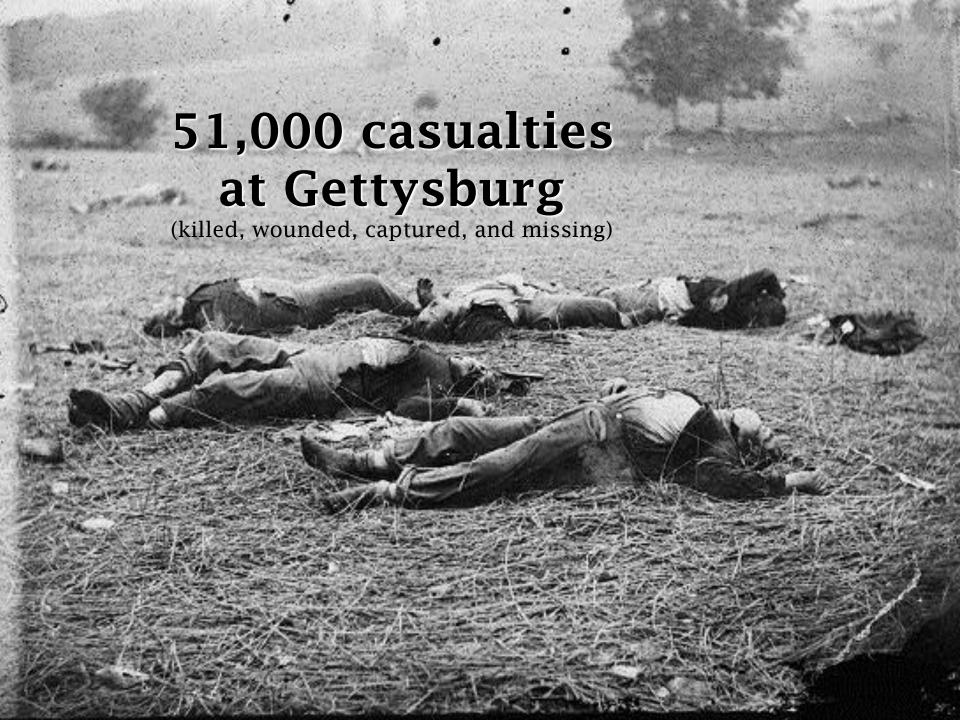
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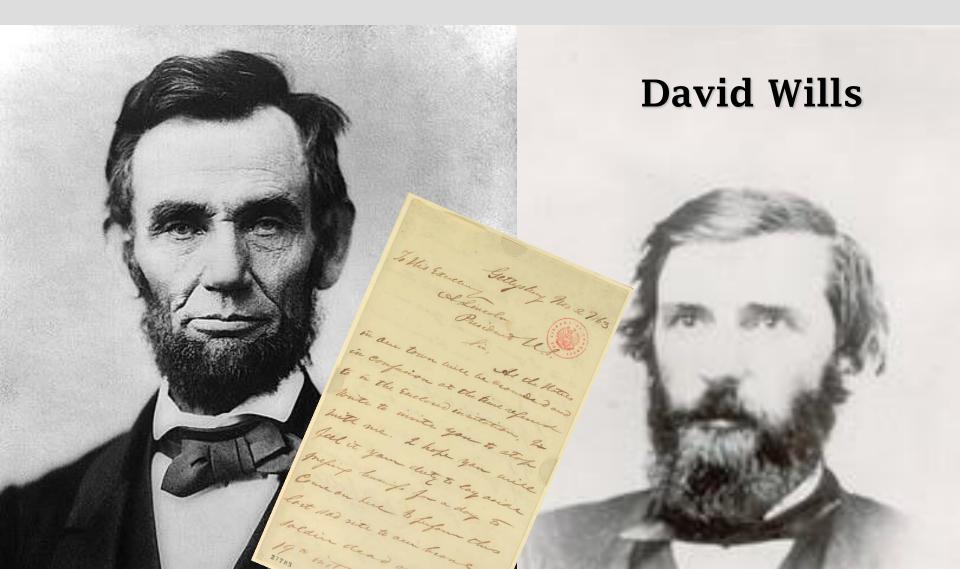
And when President Lincoln would later be killed, the first word spoken by his assassin was "freedom!"







Invitation to the President to come to Gettysburg "...a few appropriate remarks."



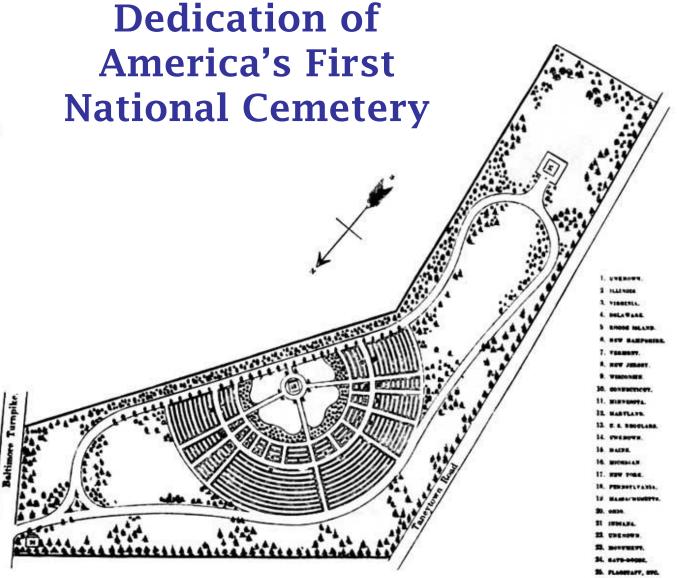
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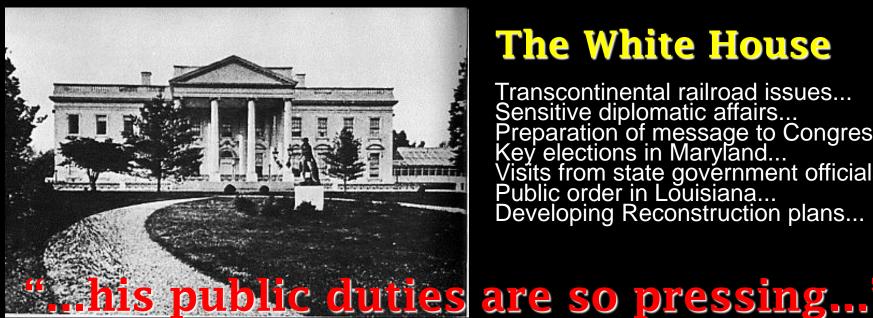
THE SOLDIERS' NATIONAL CEMETERY, GETTYSBURG, PA.

WILLIAM EACHDONS.

SCALE OF FEET.



# Would the President come?



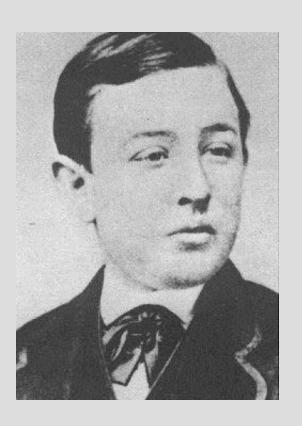
## The White House

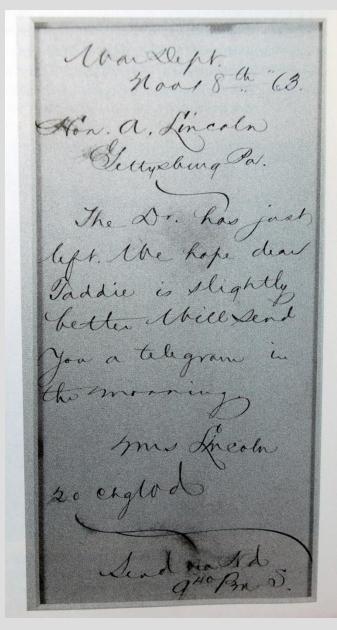
Transcontinental railroad issues... Sensitive diplomatic affairs...
Preparation of message to Congress...
Key elections in Maryland...
Visits from state government officials...
Public order in Louisiana...
Developing Reconstruction plans...

Gen. Meade at the Rappahannock... Selecting commanders for USCT... Efforts to invade Texas... Dispute with Gen. Rosencrans... Gen. Burnside's retreat to Knoxville... Gen. Sherman on the march...
Attempted retaking of Ft. Sumter...
Gen. Grant ready to attack Chattanooga...

### The War Department

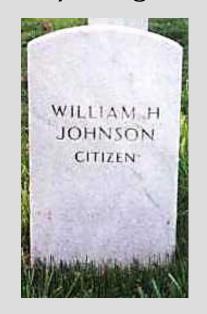
Mary was hysterical that Taddie was ill in bed and Abraham was thinking of going to Gettysburg.



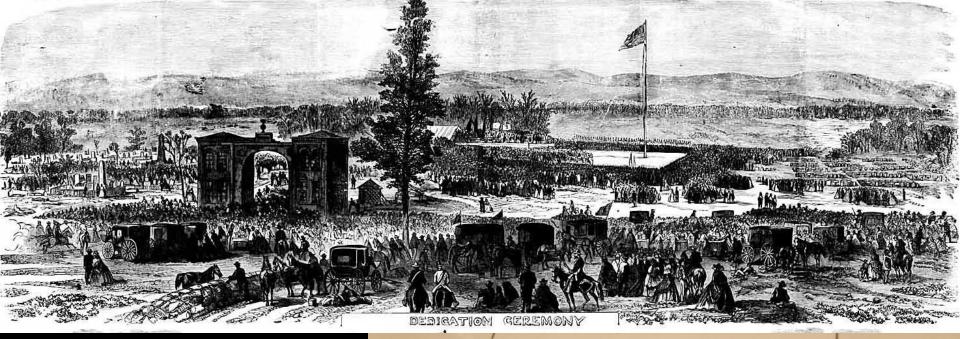


Lincoln himself was ill and was quarantined for nearly 3 weeks upon returning.

Lincoln's valet died from scarlet fever after returning from Gettysburg.







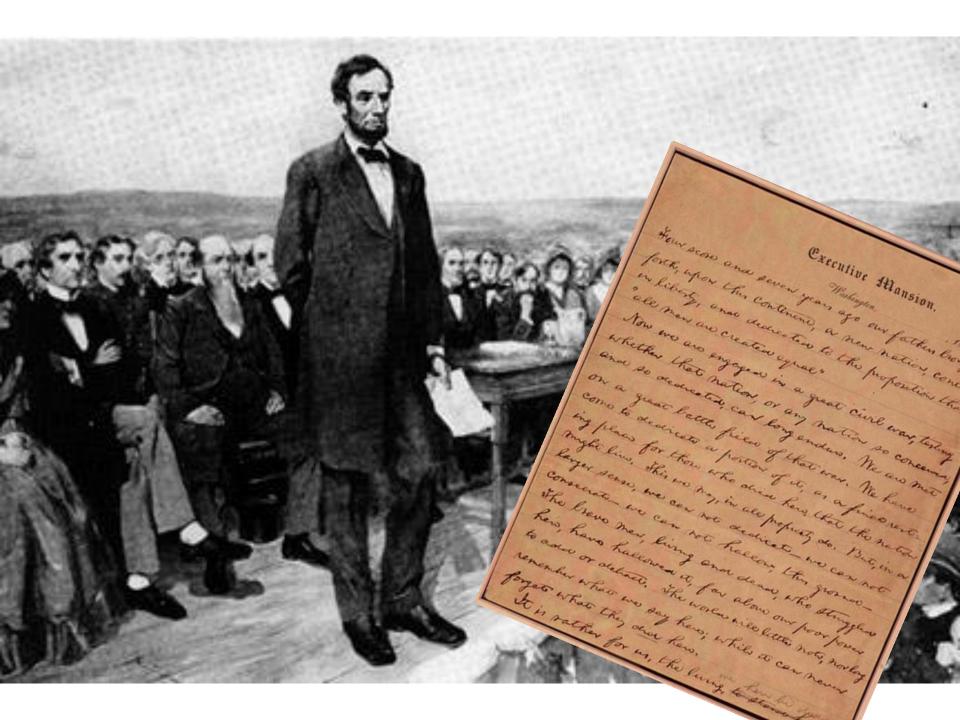
Crowd gathering at Soldiers'
National Cemetery

**November 19, 1863** 





# What would the President say?



Fewer than 300 words

Only 9 sentences

Less than 3 minutes

