

## LETTER WRITTEN FOUR MONTHS AFTER LINCOLN'S ASSASSINATION

709A. LINCOLN (M. T.). Autograph Letter Signed, 4pp. 12mo, Soldiers Home, August 6 [1865]. To her cousin Mrs. Elizabeth Grimsley. Accompanied by portrait of Abraham Lincoln. (Tear in fold of letter.)

45- AN INTERESTING PERSONAL LETTER, WRITTEN ABOUT FOUR MONTHS AFTER ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S ASSASSINATION, AND IN WHICH SHE EXPRESSES HER SORROW. Reads in part,—

"Notwithstanding my long silence, knowing so well, my love for you in times past, in this our time of deep deep affliction, I feel assured, you will not now doubt me. . . . My heart, still brokenly lives on, with the heavy burden, it has to bear. Heaven help the broken hearted! The idol of my heart, was taken, when precious Willie was removed . . ."

## MRS. LINCOLN ACCUSES ANDREW JOHNSON OF COMPLICITY IN PLOT TO ASSASSINATE HER HUSBAND

710. LINCOLN (M. T.). Autograph Letter Signed,—*"Mary Lincoln"* 3pp. 12mo, Chicago, March 15th [1866]. To Mrs. Orme. On mourning stationery. Accompanied by newspaper clippings regarding other letters written by Mrs. Lincoln.

310- AN EXTREMELY BITTER LETTER IN WHICH MRS. LINCOLN ATTACKS ANDREW JOHNSON PRACTICALLY ACCUSING HIM OF COMPLICITY IN THE PLOT TO ASSASSINATE HER HUSBAND. This strange and acrimonious letter reads in part,—

" . . . My own intense misery, has been augmented by the same thought, that that miserable inebriate Johnson, had cognizance of my husband's death. Why was that card of Booth's found in his box, some acquaintance certainly existed. I have been deeply impressed with the harrowing thought that he had an understanding with the conspirators & they knew their man. Did not Booth say 'There was one thing he would not tell,' there is said to be honor among thieves. No one ever heard of Johnson regretting my sainted husband's death, he never wrote me a line of condolence and behaved in the most brutal way. Why is not Davis brought to trial? As sure as you & I live, Johnson had some hand in all this . . ."

## MRS. LINCOLN ON HER REDUCED CIRCUMSTANCES AFTER THE DEATH OF HER HUSBAND

711. LINCOLN (M. T.) A Series of Three Autograph Letters Signed. 18pp. 8vo. The only dated letter is Feb. 11th, 1870. The others were written shortly after the death of Lincoln. Accompanied by photographic portraits of Lincoln and his wife. On the base of the Lincoln photograph is inscription: *"Your President. A. Lincoln."* [also] Autograph Letter Signed by Gen. E. O. Cord, in regard to the arrest of Mr. Ford, manager of the Theater where Lincoln was shot, dated April 7th, 1865. Together, 6 pieces.

325- A MOST REMARKABLE SERIES OF LETTERS REGARDING THE DEATH OF LINCOLN, Etc., from which we quote the following extracts,—

"Bowed down and heart broken in my terrible bereavement, my thoughts, this last sad summer have often turned to you, and I have remembered, with most grateful emotions, your tender sympathy in the first days of my overwhelming anguish. Time does not reconcile me to the loss of the most devoted and loving husband a sadly afflicted woman ever possessed."

" . . . We are very differently situated from what we would desire or from what should be expected from our former station. We are deprived of the comfort of a home, where my poor, sadly afflicted sons and myself could quietly indulge in our griefs. We are left with only \$1,500, a year each to live upon, the interest of our money, and, as a matter of course, must board, plainly and as genteel as possible on this sum. . . . A Resolution of Sen. Wilson's was referred to the Committee, granting Mrs. Lincoln a pension of \$2,000, a year—of course in greenbacks. 'Bark and Tray' and all the small dogs, to judge, from his quite lengthy article had in both houses, already—three days after the resolution, commenced their attack, as he appears to be fighting some of them off . . . Greeley says the prevalent and unjust idea was that Mrs. L. would make ill-use of any

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