

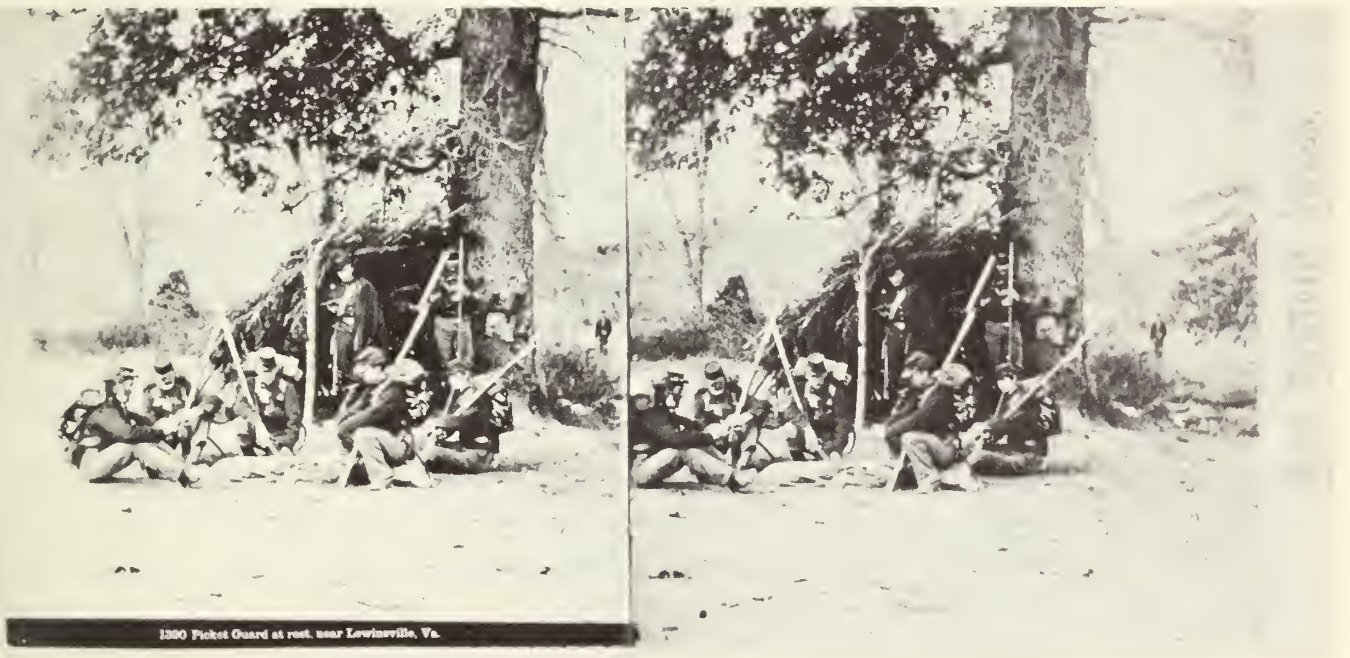
◀ **FIRST PUBLICATION OF A RARE PHOTOGRAPH** lost for a century. Enlargement from a carte-de-viste photograph by Edward Bierstadt, posed in or near Washington, D. C., about September, 1861. Although scholars have often noted that no camera portrait was taken of Lincoln during his first six months in office, it seemed probable to Lloyd Ostendorf that at least one was made, for there was intense public interest in our first bearded President and some galleries were even selling earlier photos on which beards were painted. Ostendorf's long search for the "undiscovered" photograph led him to New York, where, on October 6, 1956, in an old print and book shop, he found and bought for eight dollars the first known photograph of Lincoln as President. It is a superb study of the new Chief Executive.



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EDWARD BIERSTADT, of the New Bedford Photographic Gallery, who photographed Lincoln in September, 1861.

ANOTHER PHOTOGRAPH BY BIERSTADT. Stereograph of picket guards near Lewinsville, Virginia, taken in the fall of 1861. Bierstadt operated a mobile gallery and photographed many soldiers and military scenes in and near Washington, D. C.



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