

Ostendorf collection O-59

THE PRESIDENT SEEMS TENSE AND EAGER and there is a flash in his eyes. His secretary, John Hay, observed these probing eyes in action when he saw Lincoln fix his stare upon a brassy, overdressed fraud: "He looked through the man to the buttons on the back of his coat."

This damaged print, probably taken by Brady in Washington in 1862, is from the original glass negative, now lost or destroyed.