

Ostendorf collection O-49

A STEREO CARD (O-49) produced by uniting images B and C taken by a multiplelens camera. Published in 1864 by E. & H. T. Anthony & Co., No. 2969, in a series entitled "Prominent Portraits."

Contemporary three-dimensional portraits. Only about six stereographs of Lincoln were published during his lifetime. They bear a publication date not later than 1865. With the exception of the outdoor views of Lincoln at Antietam, which were taken with a standard stereoscopic or two-lens camera, all of the contemporary published stereographs of the President were made by combining two of the images simultaneously recorded by a three- or four-lens camera.

In 1864 and 1865 the E. & H. T. Anthony Company published four different pairs of President Lincoln on their "Portrait Gallery" stereograph cards (O-49, O-84, O-103, and O-104). Their identification number, either "2968" or "2969," was given to all four views.