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were rewarded by a speech from Mr. Lee and another from some one whom he did not recognise. After elated
by the Union, the President, the
Army, the Navy and of the brave
dead and wounded the patriots
moved off to the suspending air of
Wally bound the flag boys.

15th. We were awakened this morning
by an announcement which almost
made our hearts stand still with
consternation. The President was
shot last night in the theater.
When the morning paper was is-
sued he was still alive although
little or no hopes were entertained
of his recovery but now the following
tells all us he has sealed his death
He is dead Mr. De Buell has just
told Hannah he died at 12 O'clock.
Deeply must the country mourn
this death for although unorthodox
ungrainly he was true hearted magnanimous and kind and in the
present crisis ready to follow the
such a course with the defeated

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Sufficient to at least win them back to their allegiance to the Government and subdue the rebellion in their hearts as well as subjugate their arms. The South has lost in him a good & judicious friend. His successor Johnson heartily desires the death of the leaders of the rebellion & it is in every way altho on his views. I have not given the particulars of the disaster. It was announced in the yesterday's papers that the President with Gen Grant would be at Ford's Theatre in the evening and a large crowd collected there in consequence. Gen Grant however left the city before night for N.Y. Mrs. Lincoln had not been well & the President went to the place of amusement with reluctance, not risking to disappoint the audience. He was received with some more usual applause. About 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ O'clock a shot was heard which was at first supposed to be from the stage and a gun

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Leaped from the President's box upon
the stage crying "Sic Semper Tyrannis"
"I have done it" and making his way
to the door mounted a horse & rode
off. The shrieks of Madame Sucklin
first announced to the petrified
audience the catastrophe which had
taken place. The President was found
to be in a state of insensibility
shot twice through the head. He
was immediately conveyed to
a house opposite the theater follow
ed by Mrs. S. escorted by her friends
in an almost frantic condition.

At the same time of the accident
an attempt was also made upon
the life of Sec. Seward. The assassin
entered the house upon the plea that
he had brought a prescription of
Dr. Vandy the physician of the
Sec. He pushed passed the servants
into the room of the sick man &
after disabling the attendants in-
flicted several fatal wounds in his
neck & then made his escape.
Sec. Stanton it is said was main-

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of the danger and guarded
himself against it. The rain is
falling heavily and the bells the
tell their melancholy tale.

9 P.M. The last day of excitement
is over. The President's body has been
embalmed and lies in state at the
White House while the frantic grief
of Mrs. Lincoln has settled into an
apathetic dejection from which it is
impossible to awoke her. She however
remained unconscious to the last.
The members of the Cabinet, Mr. S.
Miss Hayes and Miss Davis
surrounded his bed. Dr. Gurley
was present & afterwards escorted
the bereaved widow to her home.
At the request of Mrs. Lincoln
he communicated the painful
intelligence to poor little Dad
who was wandering from group
to group of the sorrowing audience
in steaming rain to find out what
was the matter. His eyes when
he heard that he was fatherless
were exceedingly touching. He

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has been the almost constant
occupation of the President.
Johnson has received the oath
of office and seems impressed
with the dignity and responsibility
of his new office. The assassins
have not yet been arrested. But
the evidence is conclusive that
Booth - a miserable actor and
pathetic vagrant, a son of the
great tragedian, committed the
deed. That is the murder of the
President the stabbing of Mr.
Seward was probably done by an
accomplice. Mr. Seward is in
a critical position and has not
been informed of the death of
the President or of the danger of
his son who was so much in-
spired by the assassin that very
little hope is entertained of his
life. The feeling of resentment
at the South as instigating in
all probability the murder is deep
and I fear will entirely replace
the feeling of kindness before

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entertained for the insurgents.
The Southerners if they have
countenanced the dreadful deed
have fatally mistaken the interests
of their cause.

17th The sorrow in the President's death
is deep and unusual as we went to
church yesterday we found all the
houses draped with black. In front
of the studio of Mr. Baumgards a
large portrait of Mr. Lincoln was
suspended surrounded with the
marks of mourning. The church was
so thronged with strangers we with
difficulty made our way into the
building and after standing for some
time were provided with seats on the
isle. The aisle and gallery were
dressed in black and the President's
pew was closed and clothed with
the same sad emblem. The Dr.
in a short introductory address
alluded to the terrible calamity
which had fallen the nation and
spoke in terms of true affection of
the personal qualities of our beloved

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Chief Magistrate. The Assassins have not yet been found. The feeling against the South is exceedingly bitter. Mr. Seward's wounds are not as serious as was at first supposed and he will probably recover. He was informed last night of the death of the President and of the critical condition of his Son who still remains in a state of insensibility. The funeral ceremonies are expected to take place on Wednesday.

18th Having just returned from the Reservoir where I passed the night. I went to see Dr. & Mrs. Fowler yesterday afternoon. The Dr. said he had been called to go to the President about 4 o'clock in the morning. He found him in the house opposite the theater lying insensible upon a bed with the life blood dripping from the wound in his head upon the pillow with floor beneath. The several members of the cabinet & other persons were standing around the deepest sorrow depicted upon their countenances. The Dr. went to the bed

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Side but for a while was too much
weak with his feelings to perform
the religious services acquired of him.
He went to the Church and was
seen in an almost frantic condition.
The President died about 9th O'clock
Dr. Gurley retained at his bed side
a few moments before his decease.
He made his way through the
snowing & silent spectators &
found Mrs. Lincoln drawing his
mouth - at long intervals living as
she perfectly motionless. A faint
hardly perceptible motion of his
throat and all was over. So still
was she now that the ticking of the
Projecting watch was distinctly heard
After a solemn & impressive prayer
Dr. Gurley went to break the sad
intelligence to Mrs. Lincoln who
was in the parlor below. He said
out Oh why did you not let me
be your dying Doctor. Lincoln
showed great self-possession &
calmness and did all in his
power to comfort her sorrow.

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Sickcen mother. Dr. Butler
went with her to the White House.
Some of her sensations are exceedingly
painful. To day she remains at
the good kind man we are delighted
in the East Room and from an
early hour the streets have been
filled with people going to take
their last view of him. Father & Anna
Kennedy asked me to go with them
but I thought I would rather remain
near him as I saw him last at the
Parish at the inauguration. George
and I are going but again soon
we feel too bad. Has to remain at
home. Father says that the feeling
of discontent - appears like lightning
in New York is bitter in the extreme.
One man in an expression indicating
feuds of sympathies on the general
service was thrown over the railing of
a flying boat & instantly crushed by
the wheels. We expect Father to night.
He heard the news shortly after
his arrival in New York on Friday
night.

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Capt. Alexander was here this morning.
He says he has no doubt that Booth is concealed in Baltimore. It
will be very difficult to catch him as
being an actor he is accustomed to
assume all disguises. The Capt. is
firmly convinced that the assassination
and attempted murder of Mr. Lincoln
was a plot to destroy the amicable
relations springing up between the
North and the South through the
humanity policy of Mr. Lincoln and
by substituting a weaker administration
and harsher measures against the rebels
with increased bitter feeling to unite
the South for further resistance.

Edward was Mr. Lincoln's chief supporter
in his friend measures.

The city is in such a state of excitement
that the slightest unusual circumstance
attracts a crowd immediately. Yesterday
afternoon while I was making a call
a number of carriages passed the
windows where I was seated some
empty some filled and the street
was filled with people running

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largely towards N. & W. No outcome of
them knowing what was the matter.
In a few moments a crowd gathered
on several squares had collected.
After some time it was discovered that
two negro women fighting has caused
the disturbance. Places by the assassin
have been found and several supposed
accomplices in the plot arrested. But
great fears are entertained that the
murderers will escape. A sense of
insecurity pervades the community and
guards have been placed around the
houses of the most prominent citizens.

19th Wed. To day was the funeral of our
good friend President. The ceremonies
of the White House were conducted
by Dr. Gurley Dr. Hall Bishop Simpson
and one other clergymen whose name
I have forgotten. In the East Room
The catafalco was erected in the centre
of the apartment graduated ^{semi-circular} flat
frames were arranged around this for
the accommodation of the invited
attendants. The various delegations
had each their place assigned

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Father was invited to take part with the officers of the Smith. Club. And I went with him to the Treasury building where he obtained for me a position upon one of the platforms to witness the procession. Only four or five ladies were admitted into the East Room. It was a beautiful day and as the people collected at the corners of the streets at the windows & upon the roofs of the houses it was difficult to realize we were not preparing for some gala festival instead of the last sad funerals to the well beloved Head. The procession left the White House about 2 P.M. We were mystified that it had started by the distant booming of guns & the tolling of bells. The sad sweet strains of the funeral march heralded its approach and soon the military escort appeared slowly, slowly with bent heads & guns reversed. The last pageant was two hours in passing. The funeral car was heavily draped with black fairies strewing the casket which

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was adorned with beautiful flowers.
The remains were placed in the Capitol
& will be open to the view of the public
until Friday morning. They are
to be conveyed to Springfield.

24 The remains of President Lincoln
left the city yesterday Friday morning.
As Lucy has joined the company
who escort them. The papers this
morning contain a description of
the snare in which the college
has been received. Mrs. Lincoln is
quite ill and very little had quite
inconceivable. Mercy temporal will
a great deal severely is apparently to
be the policy of the new president in
dealing with the rebels.

May 10th Since my last entry in my journal
of the search for and arrest of the would-be conspirator
also concerned in the assassination has
kept us in a constant state of excitement.
Both the actual perpetrator of the deed
was traced to the vicinity of by our
detectives. When he had taken refuge
with a farmer with one of his accomplices
both bearing assumed names. They