LESSON PLAN SUPPORT MATERIALS

Wisconsin Copperhead Anti-War Movement and Marcus Brick Pomeroy

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Newspaper Clipping - "La Crosse Daily Democrat"

Pomeroy's Column from the La Crosse Daily Democrat, 8/24/1864.

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The Widow Maker of the 19th Century and Republican Candidate for Presidency
ABRAHAM LINCOLN. Look At It.

Look at the picture of Abraham Lincoln, the widow maker, who swore to support the
constitution of the country and who has broken his oath and disregarded his vows oftener
than any man living. He was the pillar of fire which was to lead us from troubles of
rebellion. His was the brain which comprehended the situation. His were the lips which
said that no one would be hurt! His was the plan which would save the country and
capture Richmond. We want people to look upon his face — to read his history — to
obtain the record of his acts — to acquaint themselves with his ability — to weep over
the homes he has made desolate — to gaze upon the army of crippled and maimed men
he is sending home to take the places of the perfect ones he called away — to count the
widows he has made by his clownish blunderings — to look at the city police records of
girls forced into houses of prostitution to escape starvation — to count, if figures will do
it, the millions of orphans he has made — to groan, and toil, and sweat under the taxation
his hell born administration has entailed upon the land, and then shout in joy —
“Hurrah for Abe Lincoln the widow maker of the 19th century!”

Don’t he look well? Is not his picture perfect, made either with pen or pencil?