



Recollections of Abraham Lincoln 1847-1865

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Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt: .seeing his little friend again sometime. Shortly after this, Mr. Lincoln, for the first time in his life, allowed his beard to grow all over his face, with the exception of the upper lip; and this fashion he continued as long as he lived. In speaking of the incident which led him to wear a full beard, he afterward remarked, reflectively, How small a thing will sometimes change the whole aspect of our lives! That Mr. Lincoln realized that an improvement was necessary in his personal appearance is evidenced by many amusing stories told by him. The one he especially enjoyed telling was, how once, when riding the circuit, he was accosted in the cars by a stranger, who said, Excuse me, sir, but I have an article in my possession which belongs to you. How is that? Mr. Lincoln asked, much astonished. The stranger took a knife from his pocket, saying, This knife was placed in my hands some years ago with the injunction that I was to keep it until I found a man uglier...



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