



ENLARGEMENT OF INAUGURAL SCENE. In this detail from the picture opposite (O-107) we see the indistinct figure of Lincoln, who stands behind the white table holding a printed copy of his address.

THE ONLY KNOWN FRONT VIEW of Lincoln's second inaugural, this picture was taken shortly after noon on Saturday, March 4, 1865. Although the figure of Lincoln is barely visible, the photograph has caught the pageantry of the inaugural, framing the scene with two lamp posts flanked on the right by Washington's statue. The view was taken by William Morris Smith, a cameraman and patent attorney who operated his own gallery in Washington but was also employed by Alexander Gardner.

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