During the debates with Douglas, his rival called him two-faced. Retorted Lincoln: "I leave it to my audience. If I had another face, do you think I'd wear this one?"

The orders of President Lincoln often annoyed his brusque secretary of war, Stanton, who at last burst out, "We've got to get rid of that baboon at the White House!"

The remark was repeated to Lincoln. "Mr. President," added his informant, "I would not endure such an insult."

"Insult? insult?" queried Lincoln. "That is no insult. It is an expression of opinion. And what troubles me most about it is the fact that Stanton said it, and Stanton is usually right."

Said Lincoln to General Egbert L. Viele: "If I have one vice, it is not to be able to say no! Thank God," he went on, "for not making me a woman, but if He had, I suppose He would have made me just as ugly as He did, and no one would ever have tempted me."



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