

1860 (M-29) O-36 Ambrotype by Preston Butler, Springfield, Monday, August 13, 1860.



1860 (M-30) O-37 Ambrotype by Preston Butler, Springfield, Monday, August 13, 1860.

1860 Lost ambrotypes (four) by Preston Butler, Springfield, Monday, August 13, 1860.

The diary of artist John Henry Brown, for whom Preston Butler took the two previous ambrotypes (O-36 and O-37), reveals that four more poses of Lincoln were made on the same day. "He at once consented to sit for his picture. We walked together from the Executive Chamber to a daguerrean establishment. I had a half dozen ambrotypes taken of him before I could get one to suit me."

These four missing ambrotypes bring to a total of eight (see page 365) the portraits by Preston Butler which were lost or destroyed.