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## POWER'S BOOKS ON OAK RIDGE MONUMENT

The Board of Managers of Oak Ridge Cemetery at Springfield, Illinois, has just issued a very attractive map. It visualizes the recent effort of the Board to give the surroundings of Lincoln's monument a more historic atmosphere by designating the drives with names familiar in Lincoln's day and using terminology appropriate to this resting place for the dead. The map is in color, embellished with four pictures and measures 21 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ . It may be secured by enclosing the cost of printing and mailing (35 cents) in correspondence addressed: Superintendent, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Illinois.

This new map so recently published recalls earlier attempts to supply diagrams of the burial grounds also descriptive information about Oak Ridge Cemetery and the Tomb of Lincoln. It is the purpose of this issue of Lincoln Lore to arrange a bibliography of the publications distributed by J. C. Power, early custodian of the tomb.

### THE MEMORIAL BOOK

Abraham Lincoln/His/Great Funeral Cortège/from/Washington City to Springfield, Illinois/with a/History and Description/of the/National Lincoln Monument/by J. C. Power/Springfield, Illinois/1872.

#### 1. First Edition

This edition displays reproduction of the Lincoln monument in gilt on the plum colored cloth binding and on the backstrip there is this imprint: "Lincoln/Monument/Power." The frontispiece is an engraving of Meserve #77, Illustrations, 7 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 205 p., large map of cemetery typed on back endsheet.

#### 2. The Second Issue

Same as the above in cover and contents except in black cloth and no imprint on backstrip.

### THE PROSPECTUS PAMPHLET

Two years later Mr. Powers brought out a prospectus for an extended publication with this cover title:

"Illustrative Description/of the/National/(picture of monument) Lincoln Monument/by John Carroll Power/(2 line copyright notice)/Springfield, Ill./Edward A. Witson & Co./1874/Brown's Print, Springfield, Ill."

#### 3. The 1874 Prospectus

A pamphlet bound in glazed paper covers and containing chapters XV, XVI, XVII of #1. Noted that the expanded volume would be issued on Nov. 1, 1874. Advertising strip tipped on back cover stated price of new book as \$2.50. Inside back cover contains program for Oct. 14, 1874, and outside back cover a dedication program for the following day. 8 x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 30 p.

#### 4. The 1877 Prospectus

Same as above except change of date, 1877, and new subject matter on back cover. Front cover also lacks printer's line.

### THE LIFE AND BURIAL ISSUE

The new publication included a Life of Lincoln in eight chapters which precedes the text of #1 with the following title page:

Abraham Lincoln/His/Life, Public Services, Death/and Great Funeral Cortège/with a History and Description of the/National Lincoln Monument/by John Carroll Power/Monumental Edition/Springfield, Ill./Edwin A. Wilson & Co./1875.

#### 5. First Monumental Edition

Brown cover highly decorative with gold lettering,

picture of monument and backstrip inscribed, "Life/of/Lincoln/Power/(device)/Monumental/Edition/(Publisher's symbol)." Frontispiece engraving of Meserve #77. Title page same as above. Three copyright notices on back of title page, Illustrated, pages 352, 7 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ .

#### 6. Deluxe Edition

Same as above except bound in  $\frac{3}{4}$  morocco.

### THE EXTENDED VOLUMES

#### 7. Third Edition

Bound in brown cloth with gilt lettering but cover design changed and backstrip inscribed, "Life/of/Lincoln/Power/Monumental/Edition." Frontispiece changed to engraving of Meserve #87. General title same as above but after "monument" as follows: "With an appendix/by John Carroll Power/Third Edition/Springfield, Ill./H. W. Rokker, Printer and Binder./1882." Back of title page now contains four copyright notices, no maps. Pages 416. 7 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ .

#### 8. The 1889 Edition

Bound in light grey cover with same embossed design as #5 except picture of monument is substituted with "A. Lincoln" signature and backstrip "Life of/Lincoln." Same Meserve #87 frontispiece but set in oval with autograph "A. Lincoln" in rectangular block under cut. Title same as above except "Third Edition" struck out and imprint changed to "H. W. Rokker, Publisher,/Chicago and Springfield, Ill./1889." Map of reduced size at page 112. Pages 458, 7 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ .

#### 9. Presentation Edition

Same as above in every respect except in full morocco with this inscription in gilt on front cover, "Compliments of/The Citizens of Springfield, Illinois,/to the members of/The American International Conference,/October 31, 1889." On the back end sheet of the Foundation copy is attached a card of the Publisher H. W. Rokker.

#### 10. New Border Edition

Bound in black, brown and red covers with same cover inscription as #8 but different embossed border decorations. Contents same as #8 but map placed opposite page 192.

#### 11. Last Signature Edition

Bound in dark brown cloth with cover and contents same as above except decorative border eliminated but signature of "A. Lincoln" still retained. Map opposite frontispiece.

#### 12. Short Edition

Same contents as above but cover lacks signature "A. Lincoln" but does use border found on #10. Size 7 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 5.

#### 13. Home Education Edition

Same contents as #7 (416 p.) and title page has imprint, "Home Education" Publishing House/609-611-613-615 Monroe St., Springfield, Illinois/1896.

#### 14. Eagle Edition

Contents same as #12 except cover contains embossed eagle and size increases to 7 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ . Map back of page 192.

#### 15. Illustrated Cover Edition

Same as above except cover has portrait of Lincoln, the Lincoln Home, and the Lincoln Tomb.

#### 16. Paper Cover Edition

Same as above with decorative cover in wrappers instead of cloth.