

# PROCLAMATION!

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*MAYOR'S OFFICE, City of Bridgeton, April 18, 1865.*

WHEREAS, The fearful tragedy enacted at Washington has converted an occasion of rejoicing over the National victories into one of National mourning, it is fitting therefore that we should bow reverentially to the Providence of God, let us assemble in our places of worship, and acknowledge our dependence upon Him who has brought this sudden darkness upon us. Now that the Nation's head has fallen, we are again taught that the ways of God with men are "past finding out."

Therefore I, JAMES HOOD, Mayor of the City of Bridgeton, do hereby request the various religious denominations throughout the city to meet in their respective places of worship

**On WEDNESDAY, the 19th inst.,**

at 12 o'clock (noon), for humiliation and prayer to Almighty God; and I also request that

**All Places of Business be Closed During the Day,**

and all persons appropriately testify their sorrow over this great National calamity.

***JAMES HOOD, Mayor.***

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*G. F. Nixon, Printer. "Chronicle" Office, Bridgeton, N. J.*