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To

I take off my hat, lay down
my pipe - a pipe, by the way,
like, especially when its filled with
the best Lynchburg "tobak" as is
the one I laid down - thoughts.
These are times of now intercourse
we dont object to smoking Lynchburg here,
when in the clouds of smoke from it
one can see, way down in the pathway of
the future, nothing but happiness, which
growing brighter, grow beautiful, as deeper
the smoky clouds are penetrated by a
lightened imagination, until ~~is~~ absorbed
by the feeling of what eternal bliss must
be - But the ~~returning~~ ^{meeting} I ~~had~~ ^{lay} down ~~my~~ ^{my} pipe
that of pipe - What for? Because
Lincoln's Abraham & Seward's William
~~do~~ came in to see us - "Good morning
What news?" says Abraham. "Good
news because your remarked it."
"Oh my young friend said the
President, that will dont always

hold good for a fisherman
considers it very bad luck when
he dont get a bite" - I looked solemn
scratched my head and spat water
on my thinking cap to try & discover
the application - some time elapsed
before the discovery was made and when
it was and I lifted up my head
saying "Ah yes, I see" "Good" my
illustrious visitors had departed

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