Artifacts

1. Varina Davis’ letter to her mother in June of 1861:
   “I am very much better since we came to Richmond in every way. The place is a most beautiful one, but it is very hilly… They have taken a very fine house for me. I send you a poor plan, only to show you the style. It is a very nice place, but the woman (Mrs. Crenshaw) seems never to be going to move out of it.”

2. Richmond Examiner, January 21, 1864:
   “Henry, the third servant of President Davis who has run away within three weeks, escaped on Tuesday night, and was still at large last evening. Both the others ran away on a Tuesday. He was a slave of Robert Ford, Esq., and had been in the President’s service for only two or three months.”

3. Images of the House:
   A. The White House as viewed from Shockoe Valley to the east. Printed in Harper’s Weekly, May 12, 1866