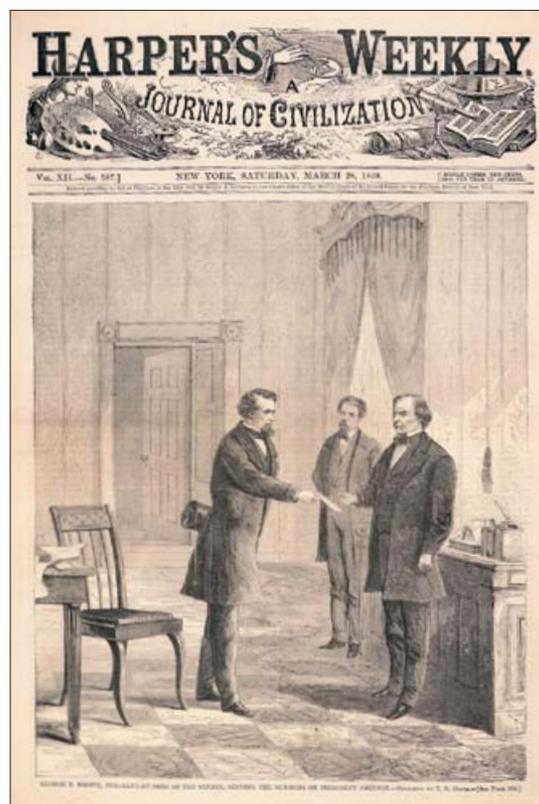




On the afternoon of Saturday, March 7, 1868, Senate Sergeant at Arms George T. Brown traveled from the Capitol to the White House to serve President Andrew Johnson with a summons to his Senate impeachment trial. The “Writ of Summons,” signed by Chief Justice Salmon P. Chase, was the formal notification by the Senate that impeachment proceedings had begun. It is reported that the president read the statement and returned it to Brown, announcing that he “would attend to the matter.”<sup>1</sup> The historic encounter, captured in this engraving by artist Theodore R. Davis, is one of the only existing images of Brown. As Senate sergeant at arms from 1861 to 1869, Brown served as chief protocol and law enforcement officer for the Senate. In that capacity he controlled access to the chamber and galleries, ensured that Senate rules were followed, handled special events such as inaugurations and funerals, and, when necessary, compelled attendance of absent members. 🌀

<sup>1</sup> “The Impeachment Trial,” *Harper’s Weekly*, 28 March 1868, 198.



**George T. Brown, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, Serving the Summons on President Johnson.**

Unidentified after Theodore R. Davis  
*Harper's Weekly*, 03/28/1868  
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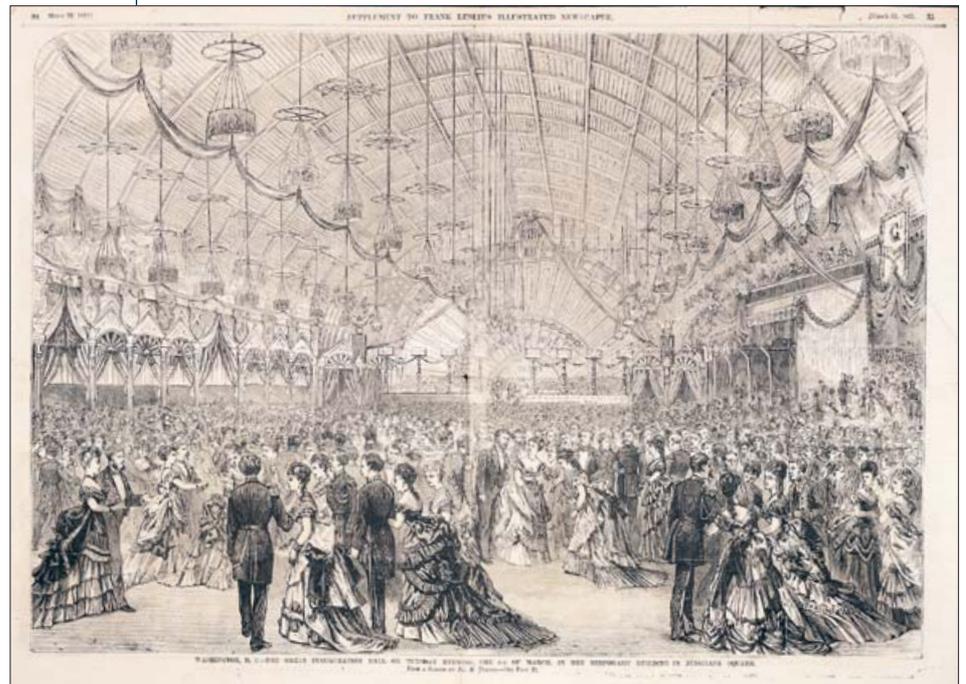
**Washington, D.C.—Hon. Charles Sumner in His Study, at His Residence, Corner of H and Fifteenth Streets.**

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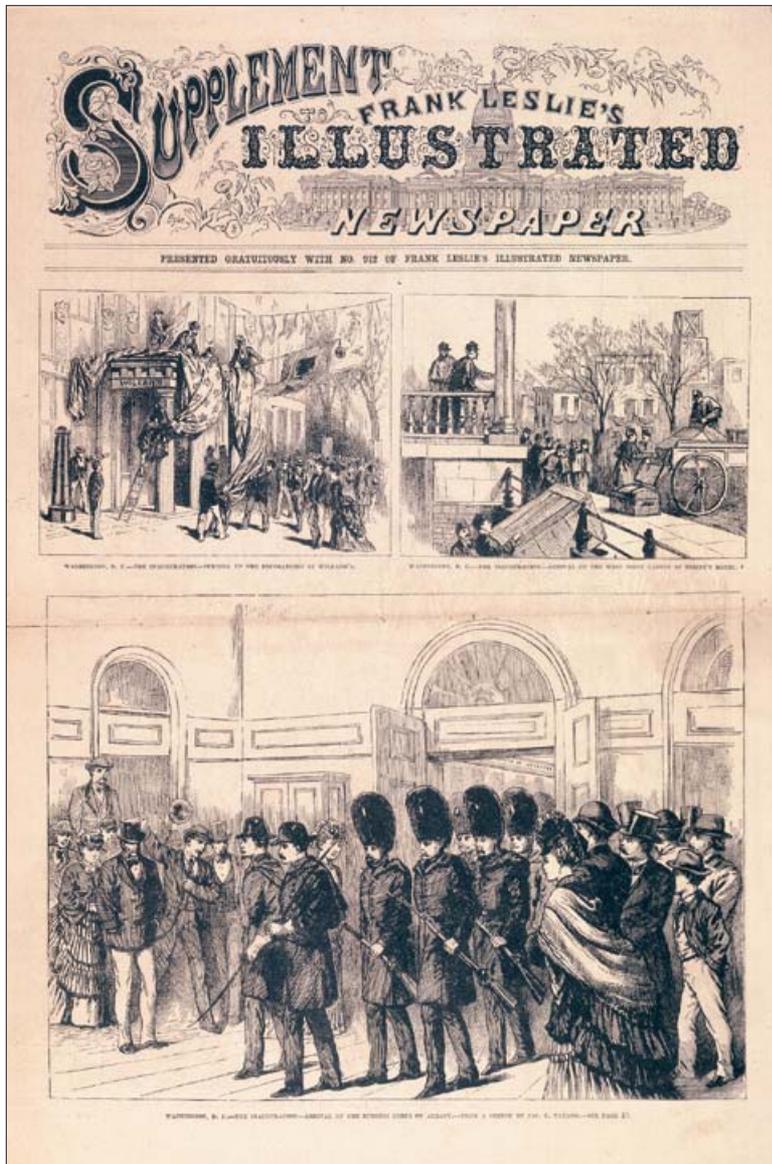
**President Johnson Receiving the Congratulations of His Friends, on the Verdict of Acquittal, May 16th, at the White House, Washington, D.C.**

Unidentified after James E. Taylor  
*Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper*, 06/06/1868  
Wood engraving, black and white  
7 ¼ x 9 ⅜ inches (18.4 x 23.8 cm)  
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**Washington D.C.—The Great Inauguration Ball on Tuesday Evening, the 4th of March, in the Temporary Building in Judiciary Square.**

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*Supplement to Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper*, 03/22/1873  
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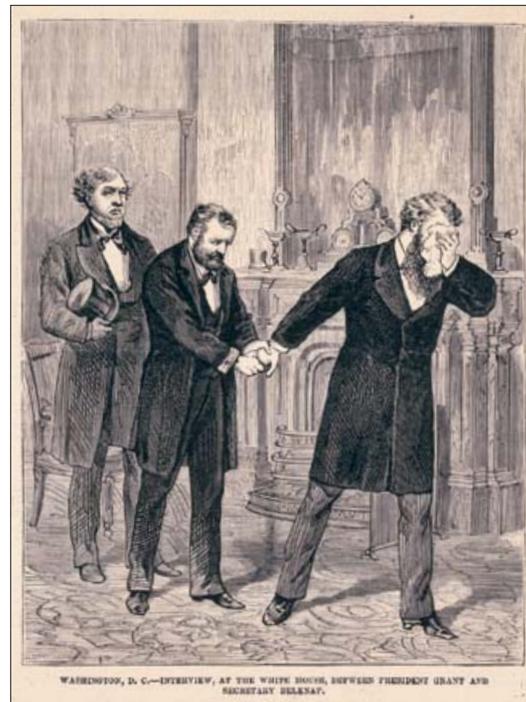
**[Washington, D.C.—The Inauguration]**

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**Washington, D.C.—The Inauguration—Scene in the Supper Room—  
 The Old Guard at the Ball.**

Unidentified after James E. Taylor  
*Supplement to Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper*, 03/22/1873  
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**Washington, D.C.—Interview, at the White House,  
 between President Grant and Secretary Belknap.**

Unidentified  
*Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper*, 03/18/1876  
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