

# The Delray Democrat

**This Just In (from the November 1866 Issue of *The Atlantic*)<sup>1</sup>**

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In the [first issue](#) of the revised Delray Democrat, I compared Trump to some of his predecessors as follows:

Next to Donald Trump, George W. Bush appears thoughtful and compassionate, Ronald Reagan appears coherent and focused, and Richard Nixon appears honest and forgiving.”

I forgot about Andrew Johnson, who gives Trump a run for his money. Here he is characterized by Edwin Percy Whipple in the November 1866 issue of [The Atlantic](#):

Never before did the first office in the gift of the people appear so poor an object of human ambition as when Andrew Johnson made it an eminence on which to exhibit inability to behave and incapacity to reason. His low cunning conspired with his devouring egoism to make him throw off all the restraints of official decorum . . .

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<sup>1</sup> *The Delray Democrat*, October 2019, p. 7.