

A LINCOLN CARTOON ENTITLED "THE GREAT EXHIBITION OF 1860"

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Representing Abraham Lincoln astride a rail on which is printed "Republican Platform." His lips are padlocked with the word "mum" opposite. He is holding a bridle and is being led by Horace Greeley who is represented as an organ grinder with a hand organ on which is inscribed "New York Tribune". Above Greeley's head is the following inscription: "Now caper about on your rail Abraham, while I play "The Slieve Gammon Polka" "All the Way from Oregon" "Mrs. Gurney's Love Song", and other choice airs from my private collection."

Back of Abraham Lincoln is Seaward holding a negro infant in his arms, and above his head is the following inscription: "It is no use to keep me and the Irrepressible infant in the back ground for we are really the head and front of this party."

At the right of the picture is a tall bearded gentleman holding in his right hand a collection plate upon which is inscribed "Courier and Enquirer" and above head is the inscription, "Please, Gentlemen! help a family in reduced circumstances. We are very hard up and will even take three cents if we can't get more. Just keep the little nigger alive." Holding this gentleman's left hand is a very short man representing the "New York Times" and in his left hand he is carrying a large axe. Above his head is the following inscription "I'll stick fast to you General for the present because I have my own little axe to grind."

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This cartoon along with some other souvenirs as "Contra-band of War" was taken by Abraham Michner (an officer on board the U. S. Frigate Wabash) from the rebel iron clad steamer Atlantic after an engagement on June 17, 1863.