

President Lincoln on Reconstruction.

In the elaborate volume recently issued under the press by Mr. Arnold, late member of Congress from Illinois, devoted especially to the course of President Lincoln in regard to the abolition of slavery, the author presents an instructive account of the President's views on the policy of reconstruction.

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Quite as little doubt exists with regard to President Lincoln's ideas on the practical question of reconstruction. He insisted that loyalty should be the basis of every plan. He would exclude certain classes of the late Rebels both from voting and holding office.

He has evidence, which cannot now be made public, showing that the policy of Mr. Lincoln, had he lived, would have been founded on general amnesty and negro suffrage. The language of his own speeches proves that he was in favor of bestowing the elective franchise on the blacks, certainly at least "on the intelligent and to those who had exposed their lives for their country by serving in the Union army."

It is, therefore, idle to quote the example of the late President in support of the usurping policy of Andrew Johnson. It is worse than idle; it is a positive deception. The political measures of the two men were as wide apart as their personal characters.

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