

Raftsmen's Journal.



S. B. ROW, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR. CLEARFIELD, PA., JUNE 6, 1860. FOR PRESIDENT, HON. ABRAHAM LINCOLN, OF ILLINOIS.

A BASE FORGERY. The Democratic papers are copying the schedule of general facts concerning Mr. Lincoln, prepared by a New York paper, a paragraph forged to convey an impression that Mr. Lincoln was disposed to urge an open war upon the southern States.

POSITION OF MR. SEWARD. It is astonishing what a deep and friendly interest the "Democratic" papers are manifesting for Hon. Wm. H. Seward, since the Chicago Convention.

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THE SLAVE TRADE OPENED IN A NEW WAY. The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Free Press states that the Government has received information that the fishermen of the coast of Florida and South Carolina are in the habit of running over to Cuba, on the pretence of disposing of their fish, and returning with two or three native Africans, bought there at a low figure, which they dispose of at a great advance, to parties who meet them on the coast, purchase the negroes and take them to the interior.

PRESENTS FOR JAPANESE.—Among the magnificent presents to the Japanese, from the Government as well as from individuals, the President has directed that there should be struck off a splendid medal, the United States Mint, in honor of the visit of the Orientals to this Republic.

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PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

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