

## President Lincoln in 1861. Significant extract from his inaugural address.

LnCOLN Significant Extract ra 1S61 I frovn his Inaugural Jlddress, \ I do but quote fk\*oni one of my iipeeehe^ i^hen I deelare that I have no purpoi^, directly or indirectly, to interfere ifvith the institution of islavry in the states ivhere it exists, I believe I hare no layrftil ri^ht to do so, and I have no inclination to do so. Those i^ho nomi- nated and elected me did so ivith full knowledge that I had made many similar declarations, and had never recanted them. I noiv reiterate these sentiments; and in doing so, I only press upon the public attention the most conclusive evidence of ^vhich the case is susceptible, that the property, peace, and security of no sec- tion are to be in any ivise endangered by the noiv incoming Administration. I add, too, that all the protection ivhich, consistently ivith the Constitution and laivs, can be given, vrill be cheerflilly ffiven to all the States, ivhen laivflilly demanded, FOR ^VHATEVER CAUSE --as cheerflilly to one section as to another. I take the official oath to-day Ti^ith no mental reservations, and ivith purpose to construe the Constitution ml 1. by y hypocritical 1