



To This We Should Return With the Least Practicable Delay, from "Harper's Weekly"

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**Primary Maker**  
Thomas Nast

**Medium**  
Wood engraving on newsprint

**Description**  
Boat with American flag on it and sign on the front reading "The Ark of State." Man standing in window on boat wearing toga points off into the distance. In the water reads "Inflation." with six men float on their backs behind it in front of the boat. In the background a bird flies over the rainbow reading "Our Credit". Rock below rainbow reads "Sound / specie / basis. / Gold and silver". "--U. S. GRANT" typeset following title in black ink.

**Dimensions**  
Composition: 10 5/8 in. x 9 in. (27 x 22.9 cm) Sheet: 15 13/16 x 10 7/8 in. (40.2 x 27.6 cm)