

# The New "Democratic" Doctrine.

## SLAVERY NOT TO BE CONFINED TO THE NEGRO RACE, BUT TO BE MADE THE UNIVERSAL CONDITION OF THE LABORING CLASSES OF SOCIETY.

The people of the Free States have so long yielded to the arrogant demands of the Slave Oligarchy in the South, that the latter has come to think it can carry any measure it sees fit, no matter how degrading it may be to the character of the free *white* men of the North.

Not many years ago the Southern slaveholders were contented to have their "human chattels" protected in the States where they held them.

*Next*, they demanded and secured *five* Slave States from acquired territory, (Louisiana, Florida, Arkansas, Missouri, and Texas,) while the Free States have only secured *two*,—Iowa and California.

*Next*, the Slave power demanded all the Territories, and broke down the Missouri Compromise, which secured a part of those Territories to free labor.

*Next*, they demanded the right to come into the *free* States with their slaves whenever they choose, and stay as long as they please, and the United States Courts seem about to yield to them, and grant this outrageous demand.

But the *last*, the *crowning*, the *diabolical* assumption is, that Slavery is not to be confined to the NEGRO RACE, but must be made to include *laboring* WHITE MEN also. This doctrine, which is so monstrous and shocking as almost to seem incredible, is now openly avowed and defended by very many of the newspapers and of the public men of the South that support James Buchanan. The doctrine is also proclaimed by some Northern newspapers of the so-called Democratic party, but not generally with such boldness as in the South. To show the exact extent and nature of this doctrine of *enslaving* WHITE MEN, the following extracts from Buchanan papers, and from the speeches of Buchanan men are given.

The Richmond *Examiner*, one of the leading Democratic papers in Virginia, ardently supporting Mr. Buchanan, holds the following language in a late issue:

"Until recently, the defence of Slavery has labored under great difficulties, because its apologists, (for they were mere apologists,) took half-way grounds. They confined the defence of

Slavery to mere *negro* Slavery; thereby giving up the Slavery *principle*, admitting *other* forms of Slavery to be *wrong*.

"The line of defence, however, is now changed. The South now maintains that *Slavery is right, natural and necessary, and does not depend on difference of COMPLEXION*. The laws of the Slave States *justify* the holding of WHITE MEN in *bondage*."

Another Buchanan paper, the leading one in South Carolina, says:

"Slavery is the natural and normal condition of the *laboring man*, whether WHITE or *black*. The great evil of Northern *free* society is, that it is burdened with a *servile* class of MECHANICS and LABORERS, *unfit for self government*, yet clothed with the attributes and powers of citizens. Master and Slave is a relation in society as necessary as that of parent and child; and the Northern States will yet have to introduce it.—Their theory of free government is a delusion."

There's "Democratic" doctrine for you, with vengeance; "our theory of free government a delusion,"—"laboring men, whether white or black, to be slaves." Verily, matters are coming to a pretty pass with us.

The Richmond (Va.) *Enquirer*, Mr. Buchanan's confidential organ, and considered by the "Democratic" party as its ablest paper in the South, speaks as follows in a recent number:

"Repeatedly have we asked the North, 'Has not the experiment of universal liberty FAILED? Are not the evils of FREE SOCIETY INSUFFERABLE? And do not most thinking men among you propose to *subvert* and reconstruct it? Still no answer. This gloomy silence is another conclusive proof, added to many other conclusive evidences we have furnished, that *free society* in the long run is an impracticable form of society; it is everywhere starving, *demoralized* and *insurrectionary*."

"We repeat, then, that policy and humanity alike forbid the extension of the evils of free society to new people and coming generations."

"Two opposite and conflicting forms of society can not, among civilized men, co-exist and endure. The one must give way and cease to exist. The other become universal."

"If *free society* be unnatural, immoral, unchristian, it must fall, and give way to a *slave society*—a social system old as the world, universal as man."

And the Museegee (Ala.) *Herald*, another valiant Buchanan organ, says:

"Free society! we sicken of the name. What is it but a conglomeration of GREASY ME-

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CHANICS, FILTHY OPERATIVES, SMALL FISTED FARMERS, and moon-struck THEORISTS? All the Northern and especially the New-England States are devoid of society fitted for well-bred gentlemen. The prevailing class one meets with is that of mechanics struggling to be genteel, and small farmers who do their own drudgery; and yet who are hardly fit for association with a Southern gentleman's body servant. This is your free society which the Northern hordes are endeavoring to extend into Kansas."

And the *South Side Democrat*, another prominent Buchanan paper, in Virginia, whose editor was supported for Clerk of the House of Representatives by the Democratic members of the present Congress—abuses everything FREE after this style:

"We have got to hating everything with the prefix FREE, from free negroes down and up through the whole catalogue—FREE farms, FREE labor, FREE society, FREE will, FREE thinking, FREE children, and FREE schools—all belonging to the same brood of *damnableness*. But the worst of all these abominations is the modern system of FREE SCHOOLS. The New England system of free schools has been the cause and prolific source of the infidelities and treasons that have turned her cities into Sodoms and Gomorrabs, and her land into the common nestling places of howling Bedlamites. *We abominate the system because the SCHOOLS ARE FREE.*"

The *Washington Union*, the national organ of the "Democratic" party, says that the honest and heroic FREE LABORING MEN of Kansas, "Are a MISERABLE, BLEAR-EYED RABBLE who have been transferred like SO MANY CATTLE to that country."

The *New York Day Book*, one of the two papers in New York city that support James Buchanan, proposes to enslave *poor* AMERICANS, GERMANS and IRISH, who may fall into poverty and be unable to support their families. Here are the *Day Book's* exact words in speaking of the POOR WHITE PEOPLE.

"Sell the parents of these children into SLAVERY. Let our Legislature pass a law that whoever will take these parents and take care of them and their OFFSPRING, in sickness and in health,—*clothe them, feed them, and house them,—shall be legally entitled to their services*; and let the same Legislature decree that whoever receives these parents and their CHILDREN, and obtains their services, shall take care of them AS LONG AS THEY LIVE."

So much for extracts from "Democratic" newspapers. Now for a few from Democratic speeches.

S. W. Downs, late Democratic Senator from Louisiana, in an elaborate and carefully prepared speech, published in the *Washington Globe*, says:

"I call upon the opponents of Slavery to prove that the WHITE LABORERS of the North are as happy, as contented, or as comfortable, as the slaves of the South. In the South the slaves do not suffer one-tenth of the evils endured by the white laborers of the North. Poverty is unknown to the Southern slave, for as soon as the master of slaves becomes too poor to provide for them, he SELLS them to others who can take care of them. This, sir, is one of the excellencies of the system of Slavery, and this the superior condition of the Southern slave over the Northern WHITE laborer."

According to Mr. Downs, then, (good Democratic authority) all that the Northern *white laborer* requires is somebody to *sell* him when he falls into poverty. Admirable philanthropy! Beautiful Democracy! !

Senator Clemens of Alabama, declared in a speech in the U. S. Senate, that "the operatives of New England were not as well situated nor as comfortably off as the slaves that cultivate the rice and cotton fields of the South."

In a recent speech by Mr. Reynolds, Vice-Buchanan-Democratic candidate for Congress from Missouri, that gentleman distinctly asserted that—

"The same construction of the power of Congress to exclude Slavery from a United States Territory would justify the government in excluding foreign-born citizens—GERMANS AND IRISH AS WELL AS NIGGERS."

Here a Missouri Democrat classes GERMANS and IRISH indiscriminately with NEGRO SLAVES.

Mr. L. H. Goodé, another Atchison Democrat of Missouri, in a recent speech against the Free State men of Kansas, denounced the LABORING men as "WHITE SLAVES."

SENATOR BUTLER, (the uncle of "Assassin" Brooks,) a shining light in the Democratic galaxy, declared in a speech in the U. S. Senate this session—

"That men have no right to VOTE unless they are possessed of property as required by the Constitution of South Carolina. There no man can vote unless he owns *ten negroes*, or real estate to the value of *ten thousand dollars*."

And this is the doctrine which "Democracy" so-called would introduce in Ohio, and other Free States.

JAMES BUCHANAN, the Presidential candidate of the men and of the party who hold these odious views, advocated the doctrine in the United States Senate of reducing the WAGES of AMERICAN OPERATIVES and LABORERS to the *European standard*, which is known to be about TEN CENTS A DAY. What a fit candidate Mr. Buchanan is for those who make WHITE MEN slaves!

JOHN C. FREMONT, the true Republican and true Democrat, who has worked his own way up from poverty to greatness, pays the following high tribute to the dignity of FREE LABOR, and yet his enemies have the meanness to assert that he is a slave-holder. Col. Fremont never owned a dollar in human flesh. Hear what he says about "free labor:"

"FREE LABOR—the natural capital which constitutes the *real wealth* of this great country, and creates that *intelligent power in the masses*, alone to be relied on as the bulwark of FREE INSTITUTIONS."

The man who votes for James Buchanan in the coming election, votes for Slavery in Kansas, and in a Territory sufficient to make TWENTY STATES the size of Ohio; votes his own land away—votes to degrade labor, and fasten a despotism upon the free North more oppressive than Austrian and Russian tyranny—and he votes to sustain the robbers, murderers and pirates who are now driving northern men from Kansas. Awake, working men of the North, before it is too late, and vindicate your rights at the Ballot Box!

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