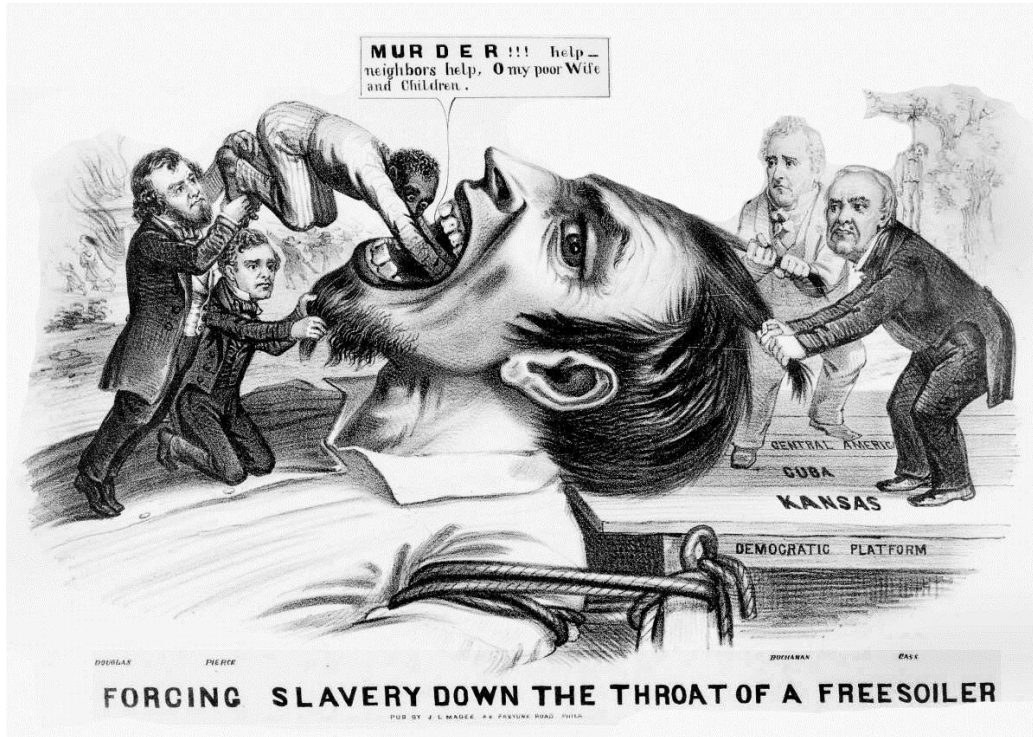


Bleeding Kansas Billboard



Following the controversial Kansas-Nebraska Act of 1854, antislavery northern settlers rushed into Kansas in an attempt to sway the popular vote against slavery. These settlers were buoyed by political cartoons such as the example above, which shows President Franklin Pierce, among others, “forcing slavery down the throat” of Americans.

Pretend you are an antislavery activist during this time period. Design a fictional “billboard” that literally represents Bleeding Kansas and that urges likeminded citizens to move to Kansas to prevent the spread of slavery.

KANSAS IS BLEEDING AND NEEDS YOUR HELP!

WHY?

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WHAT'S AT STAKE?

BORDER RUFFIANS!