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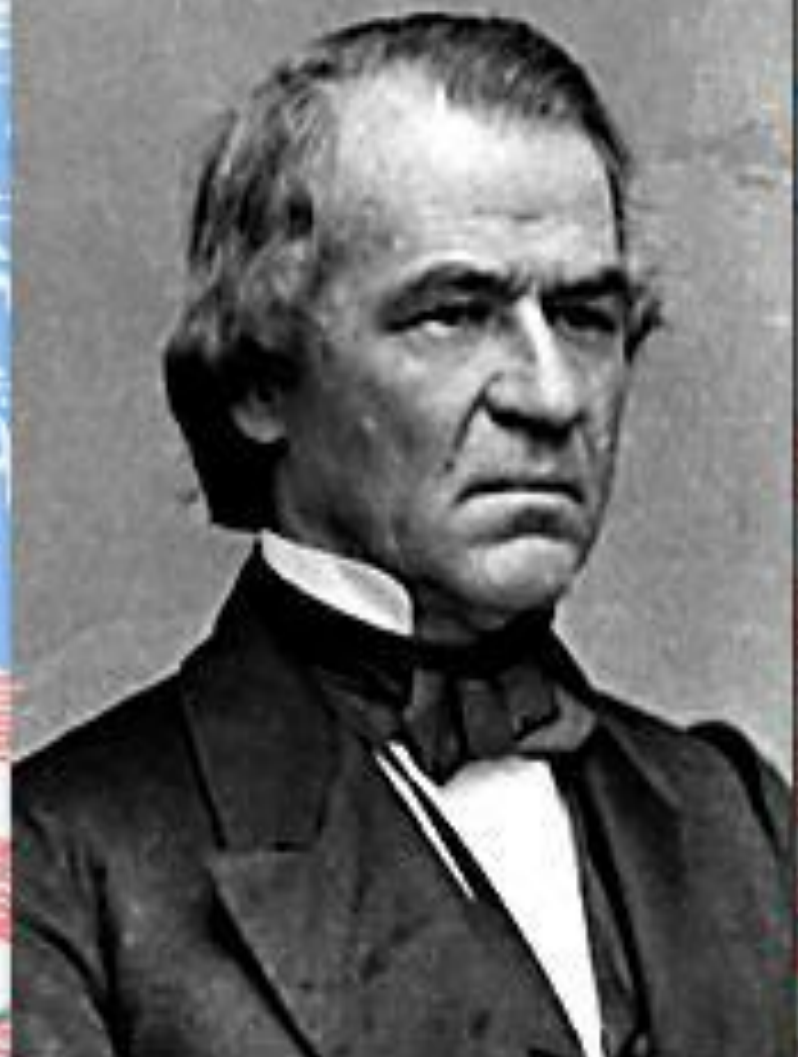
- What were some of the radical policies put in place by the Republicans during reconstruction?

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Why was President Johnson impeached?







*Abraham Lincoln*

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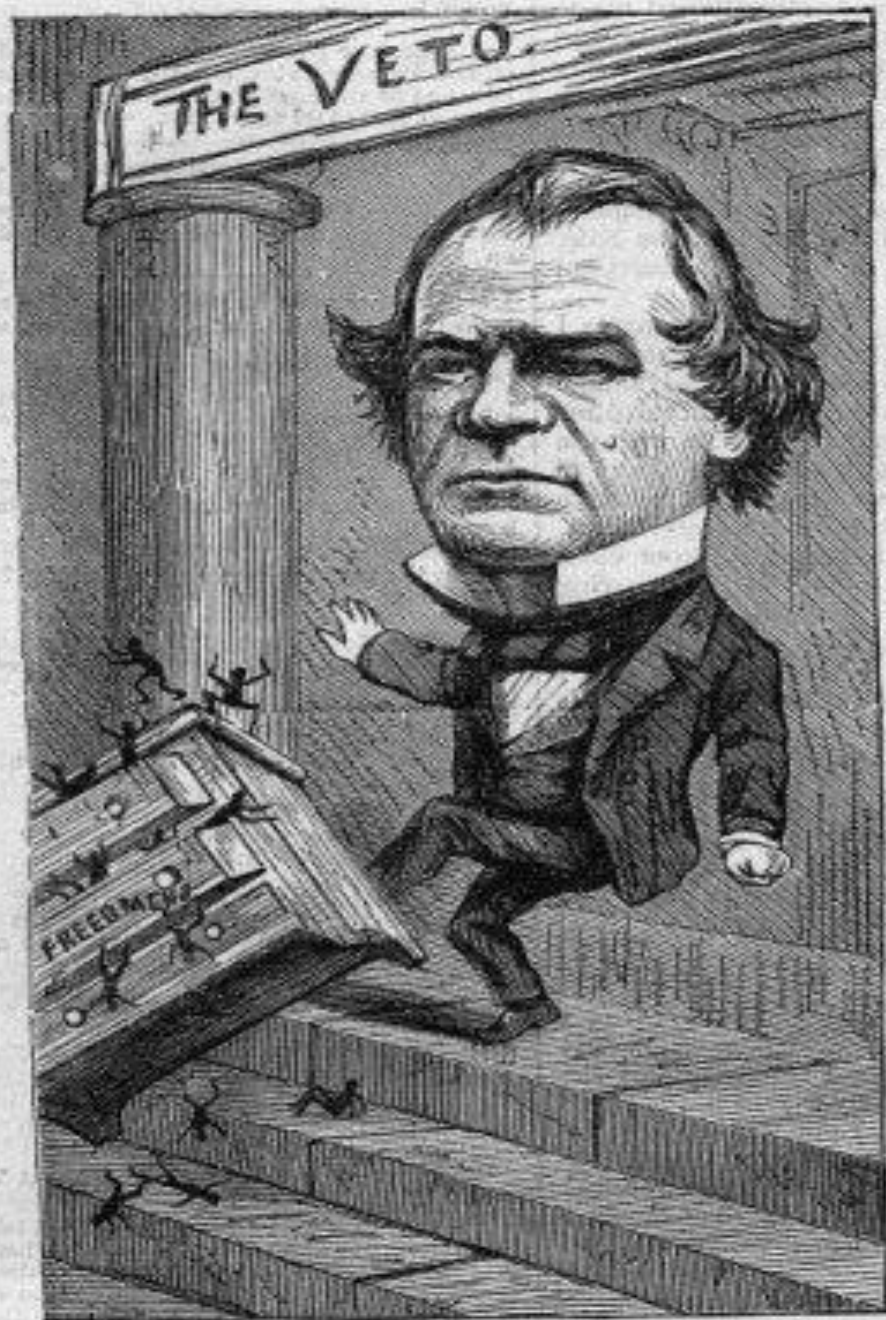
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# I. Johnson Vs. Congress

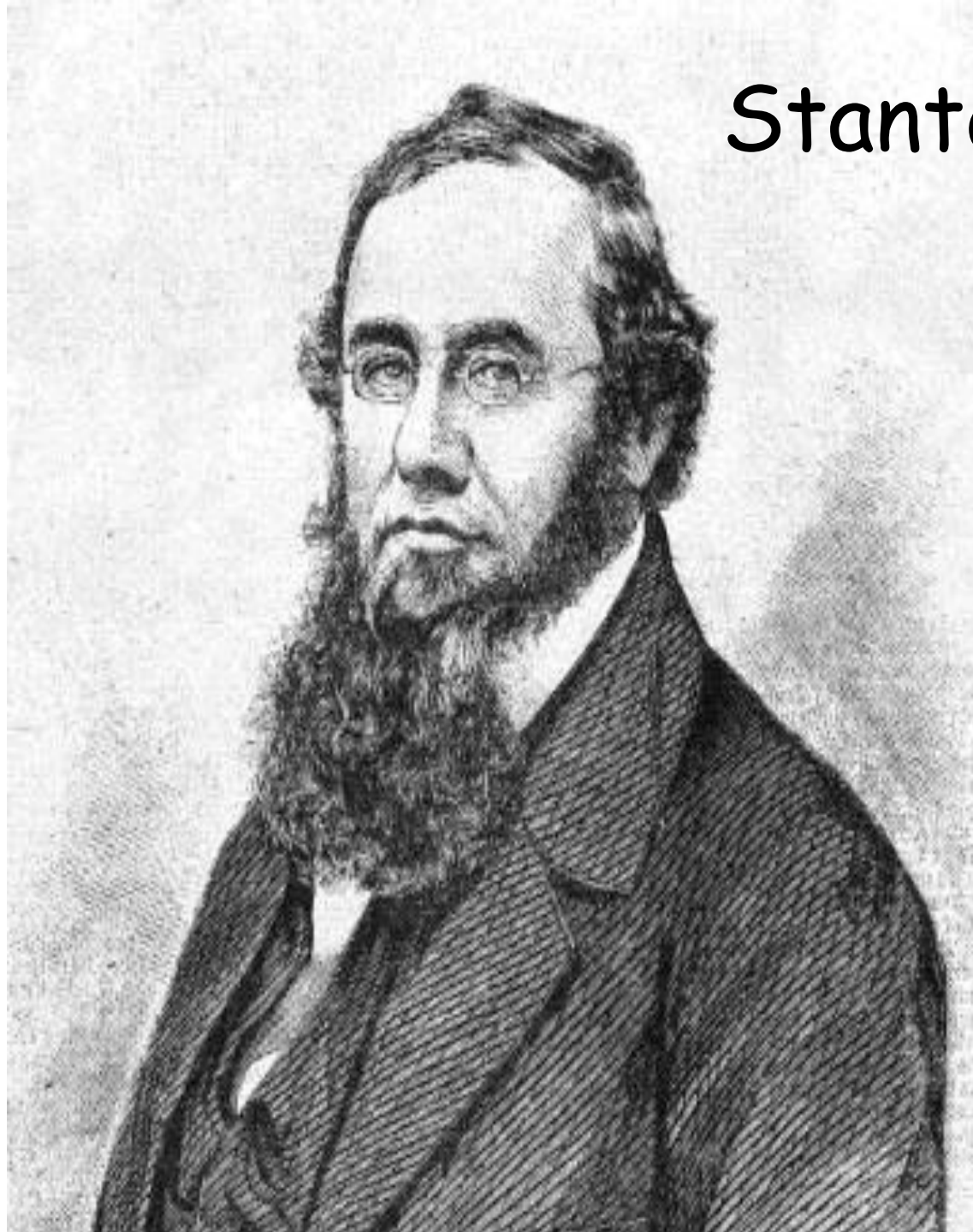
- **President Johnson** continues to veto **laws/acts/programs** sent by the **Radical Republicans**.
- Those **programs/laws** helped **freedmen** and angered **South**
- Many **Republicans** seek to **Impeach Johnson**.





- Congress passes a law making it illegal for a **president** to fire a cabinet member without Congressional approval.
- *The Tenure of Office Act.*

Stanton



- The Republicans know that **Johnson** wants to **Fire** Secretary of War Edwin Stanton.
- Stanton is a Radical Republican and hates **Johnson**.

## II. Impeachment

- **President Johnson** is charged with *high crimes and misdemeanors* for his firing of **Stanton**.
- His trial begins on April 6th 1868.
- **Johnson** wins by one vote!!

**John F. Kennedy, who wrote in *Profiles in Courage* (1956) that Ross' "heroic" vote "may well have preserved ... Constitutional government in the United States."**

