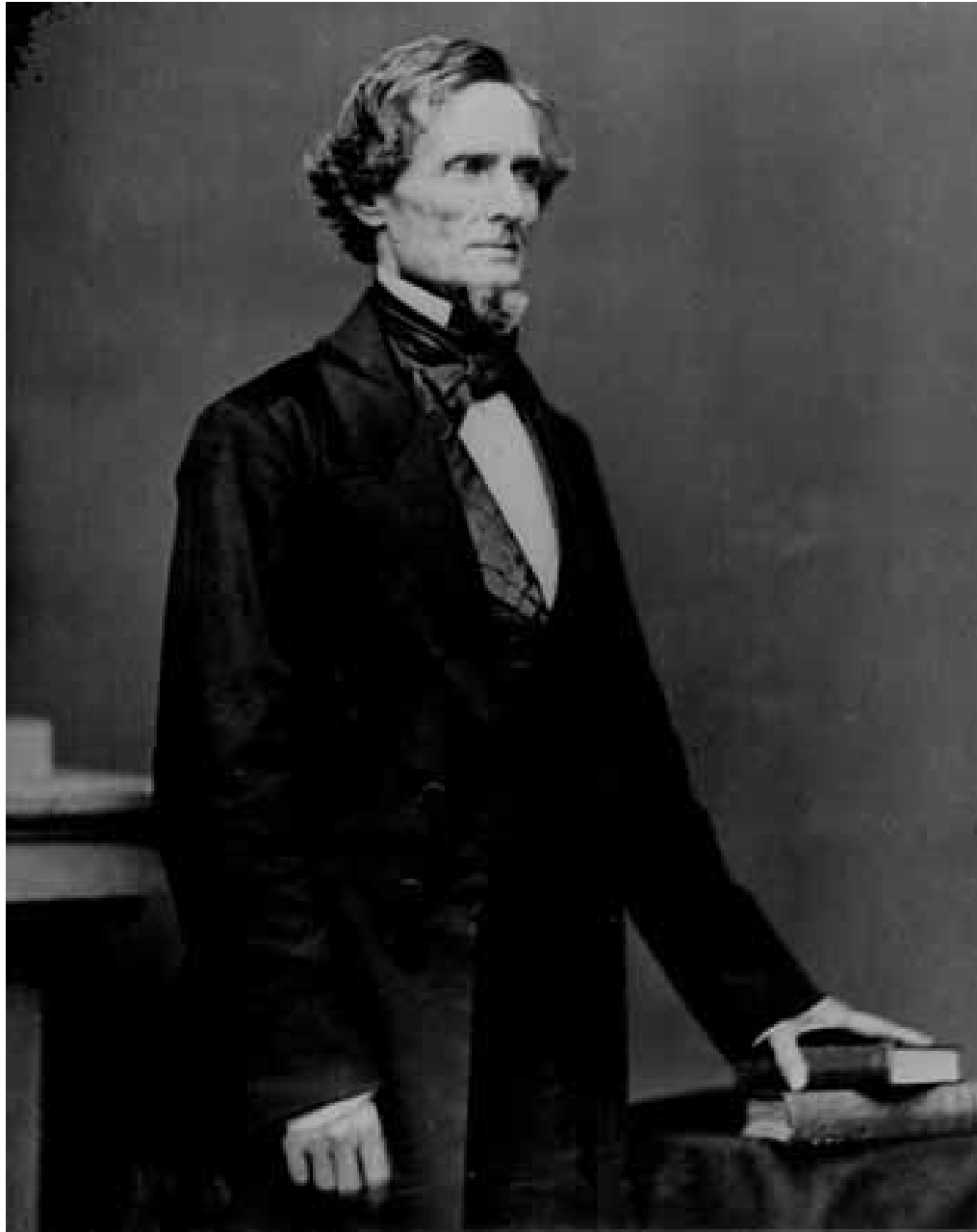


C.S. Constitution

We, the people of the Confederate States, each State acting in its sovereign and independent character, in order to form a permanent federal government, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity invoking the favor and guidance of Almighty God do ordain and establish this Constitution for the Confederate States of America.

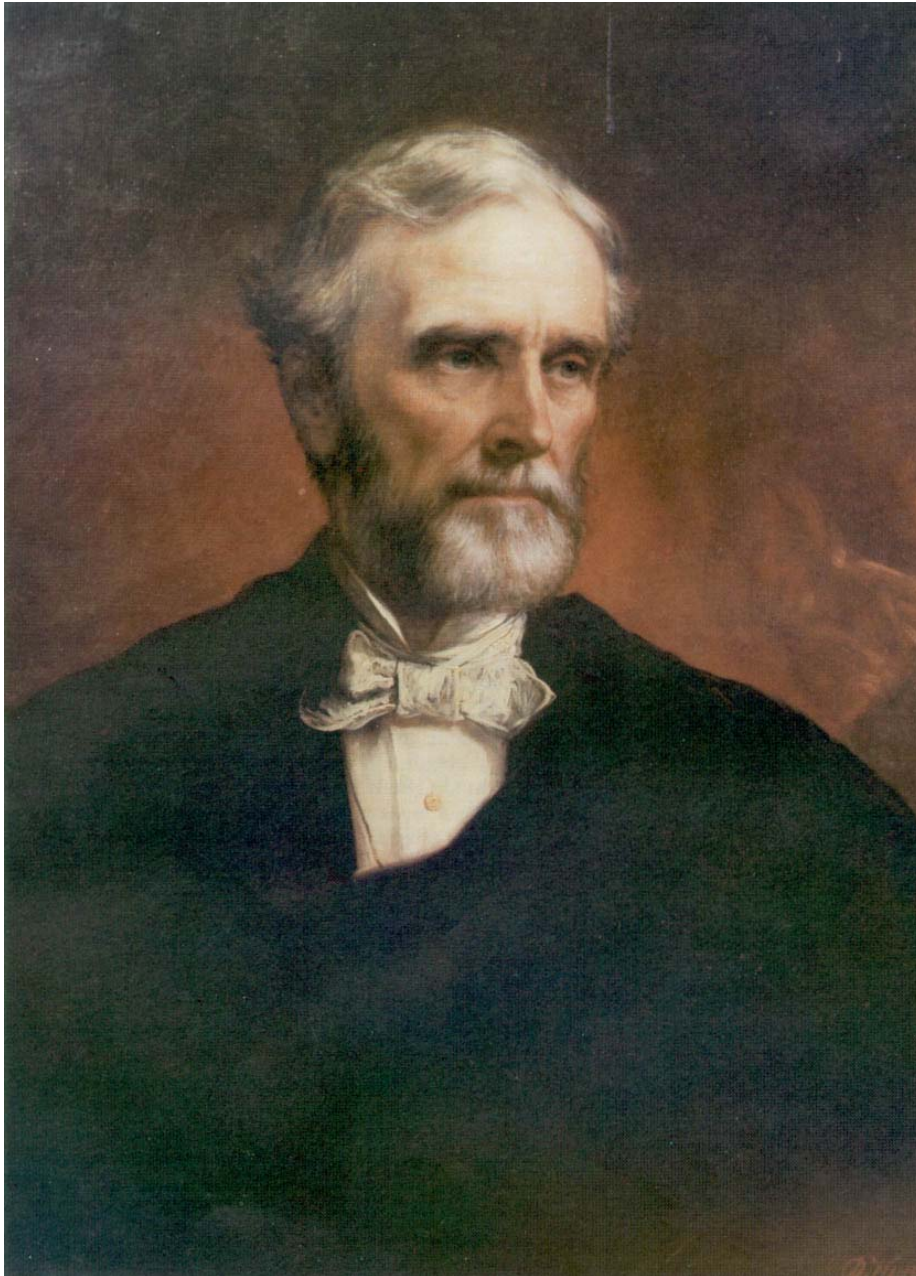
U.S. Constitution

We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.



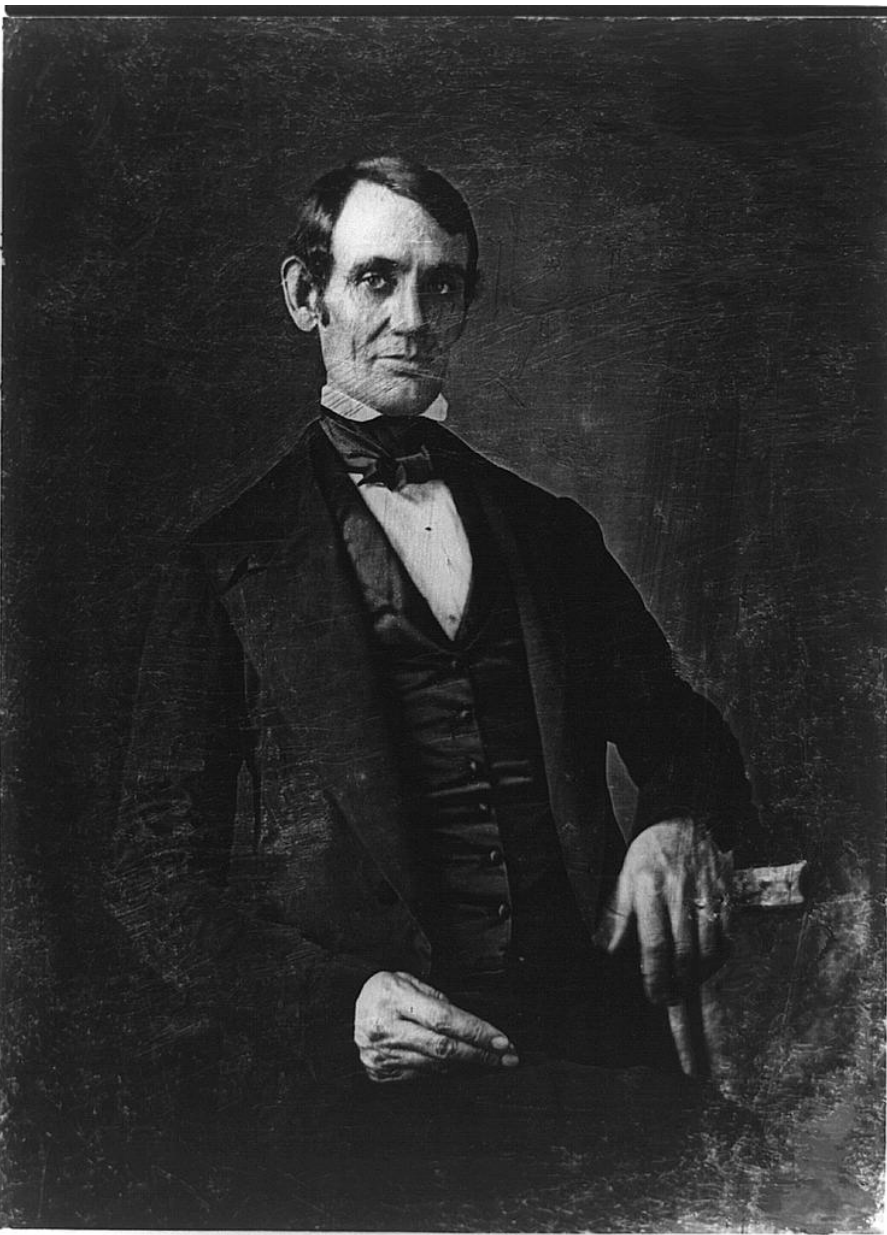
Jefferson Davis

- Born in KY, 1808
- Graduated from West Point, 1828
- Black Hawk War vet
- Congressman
- 100+ slaves on his plantation
- Mexican War veteran
- Assigned to Senate, 1847
- Secretary of War for Pierce
- Senate again, 1856



Jefferson Davis

- Opposed secession
- Many feuds with VP, Alexander Stevens
- Perfect candidate...
on paper



Lincoln's résumé

- Born KY, 1809
- Moved to IN “partly on account of slavery”
- Formal education: 18 months, unofficial teachers
- Studied every book he could find
- Unique “plain” oratory style

Lincoln's résumé



- Odd jobs
- Taught himself law
- Member of the Illinois state house
- Prominent Whig
- Anti-war activism, then out of politics for a while
- Anti-slavery activism



Lincoln's Inaugural Address

- May 4, 1861
- Highly anticipated speech
- Rumors of assassination
- What would he say?

Key points:

- U.S. will hold all federal land
- No invasion
- Slavery: As is
- Will of the people
- No do-overs re: Constitution