

Making Race Scientific

I. Day of Reckoning in Virginia

II. The Abolitionist Challenge

III. The Proslavery Defense

IV. Measuring Skulls, Demarcating Race

V. Race, Science, and the Proslavery

Argument



WALKER AMES ROOM, KANE HALL
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 | 12PM TO 1:30PM

TEACH-IN ON I-1000 AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

Please join us for an interactive discussion of I-1000 and affirmative action. How should we frame and understand affirmative action historically and critically, particularly in relation to movements for racial justice?



SPEAKERS WILL INCLUDE

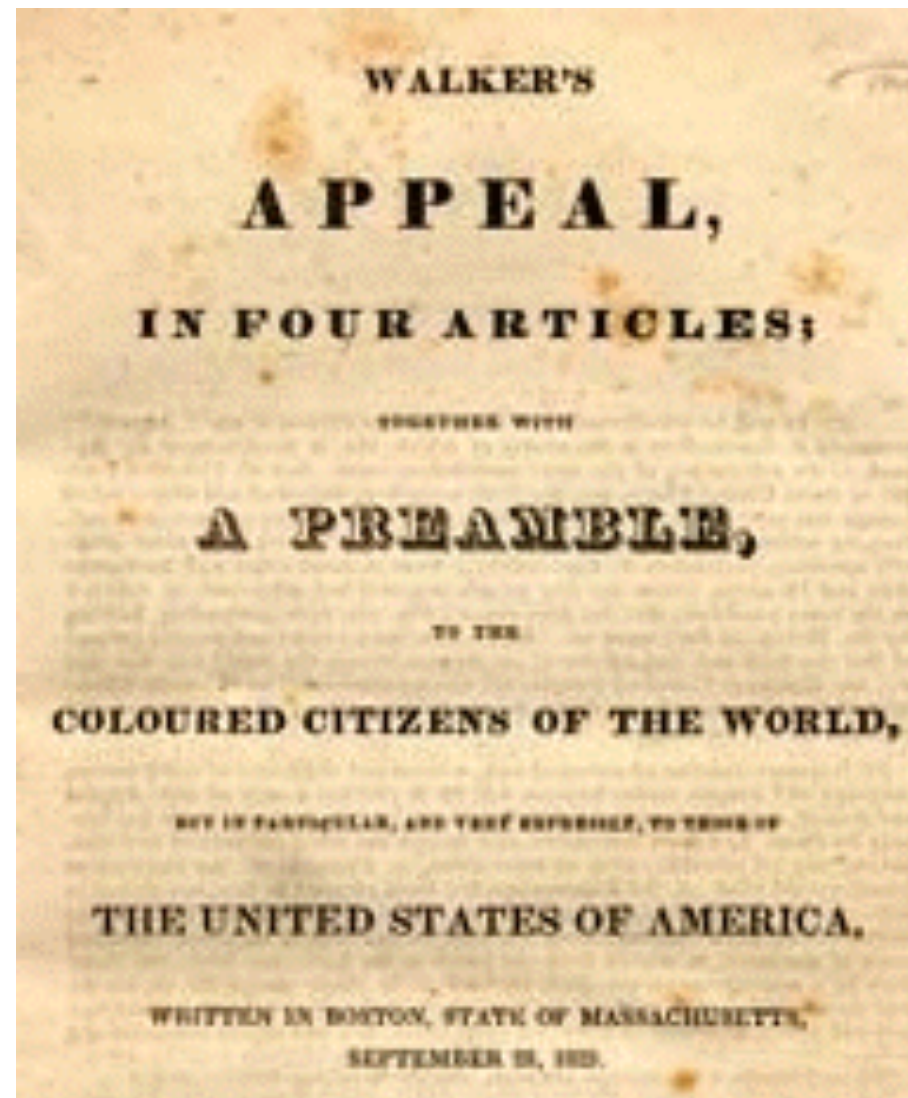
Nikkita Oliver, Co-Executive Director, Creative Justice
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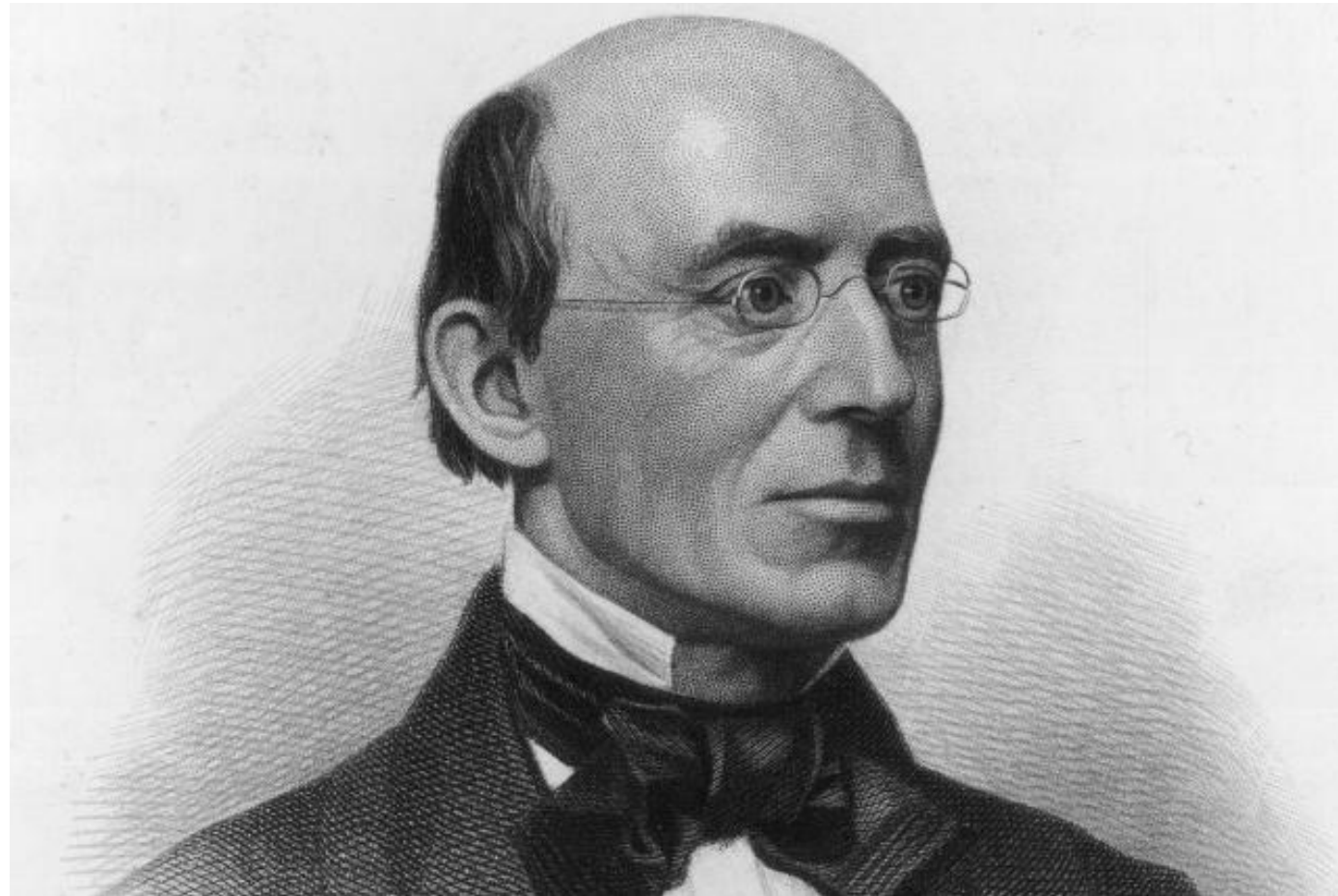
Fighting and displacing Indigenous peoples and suppressing slave rebellions defined the United States as white.

National Defense = Racial and Imperial Project



David Walker, *Walker's Appeal . . . to the Coloured Citizens of the World . . .* (1829)

Pan-African Consciousness



William Lloyd Garrison
The Liberator (est. 1831)

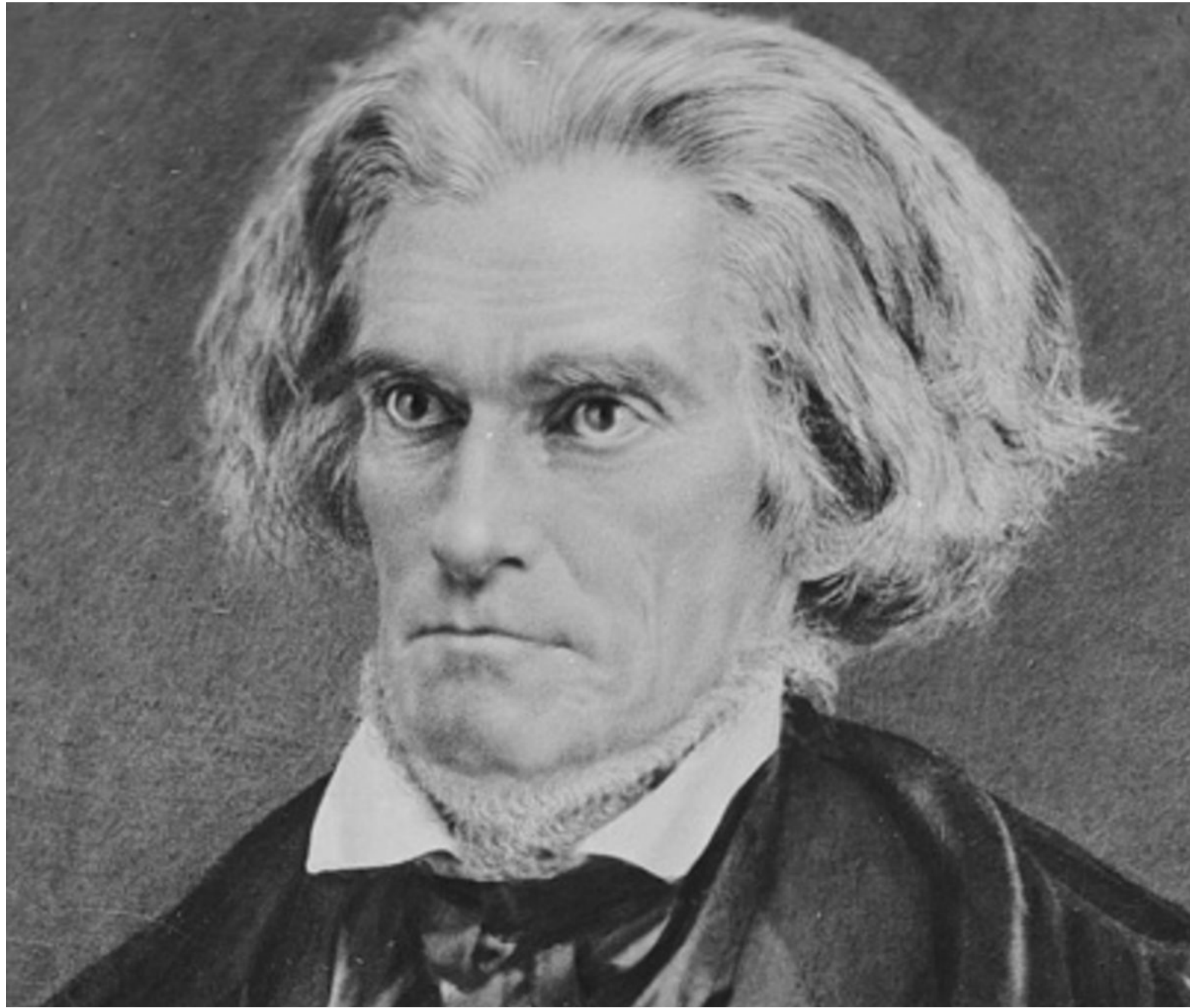
Abolitionist Argument

- Against gradual emancipation and the “colonization” of free black people.
- Owning slaves = Un-Christian sin.
- Immediate and universal abolition of slavery.
- Equal rights => Interracial society.

American Anti-Slavery Society (est. 1833)

Proslavery Argument

- Slavery is a “positive good.”
- Black people (deemed childlike and savage) are inherently, permanently inferior.



John C. Calhoun

CANNIBALS ALL!

OR,

SLAVES WITHOUT MASTERS.

BY

GEORGE FITZHUGH,

OF PORT ROYAL, CAROLINE, VA.

"His hand will be against every man, and every man's hand against him."—GEN. XVI. 12.

"Physician, heal thyself."—LUKE IV. 23.

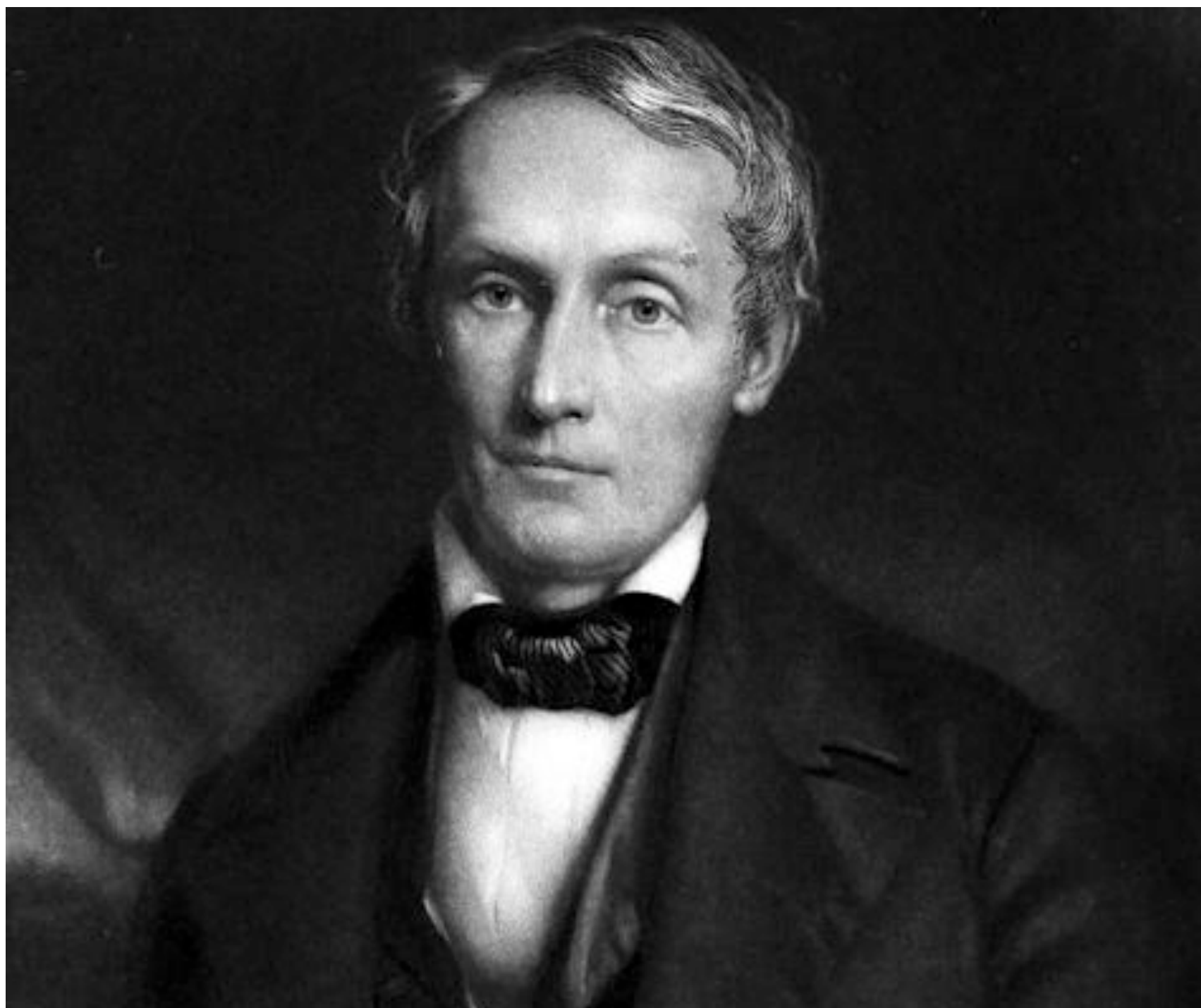
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1857.

monogenesis
(environmental factors)

polygenesis



Samuel George Morton

Race	Cranial Capacity (mean)	Number of Skulls (in study)
Caucasian	87	52
Mongolian	83	10
Malay	81	18
American Indian	82	144
Ethiopian	78	29

Crania Americana (1839)

Race	Cranial Capacity (mean)	Number of Skulls (in study)
Caucasian		
Pelasgic	88	21
Semitic	82	5
Egyptian	80	39
Negroid	79	6
Negro	73	1

Crania Aegyptiaca (1844)

Josiah C. Nott
“niggerology”

Louis Agassiz

Circular Logic of Race

Race justified and perpetuated slavery.
Slavery justified racial theories.