Inauguration at Richmond political cartoon, 1862

Political cartoon of Jefferson Davis' inauguration in Richmond, VA, as President of the Confederate States of America. Depicts Davis as a skeleton holding a pirate flag and a torch to "Desolation," guarding a slave between his legs, and perched on a bale of cotton. Drunk men and a starving woman and child are depicted in the background. Features a quote from Davis' inaugural speech as a caption. Originally featured in *Harper's Weekly.*
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