

MUCKBRAKERS

***Muck -***

*Moist sticky dirt; filth*

***Rake -***

*To bring to light;  
uncover*

*Muckrakers - people who exposed the filth, corruption, crimes, poverty, racism etc. in American society.*

- **Cartoonists**

- **Photographers**

- **Writers**

- **Painters, reporters, playwrights, actors, songwriters, etc.**

# **BOSS Tweed**

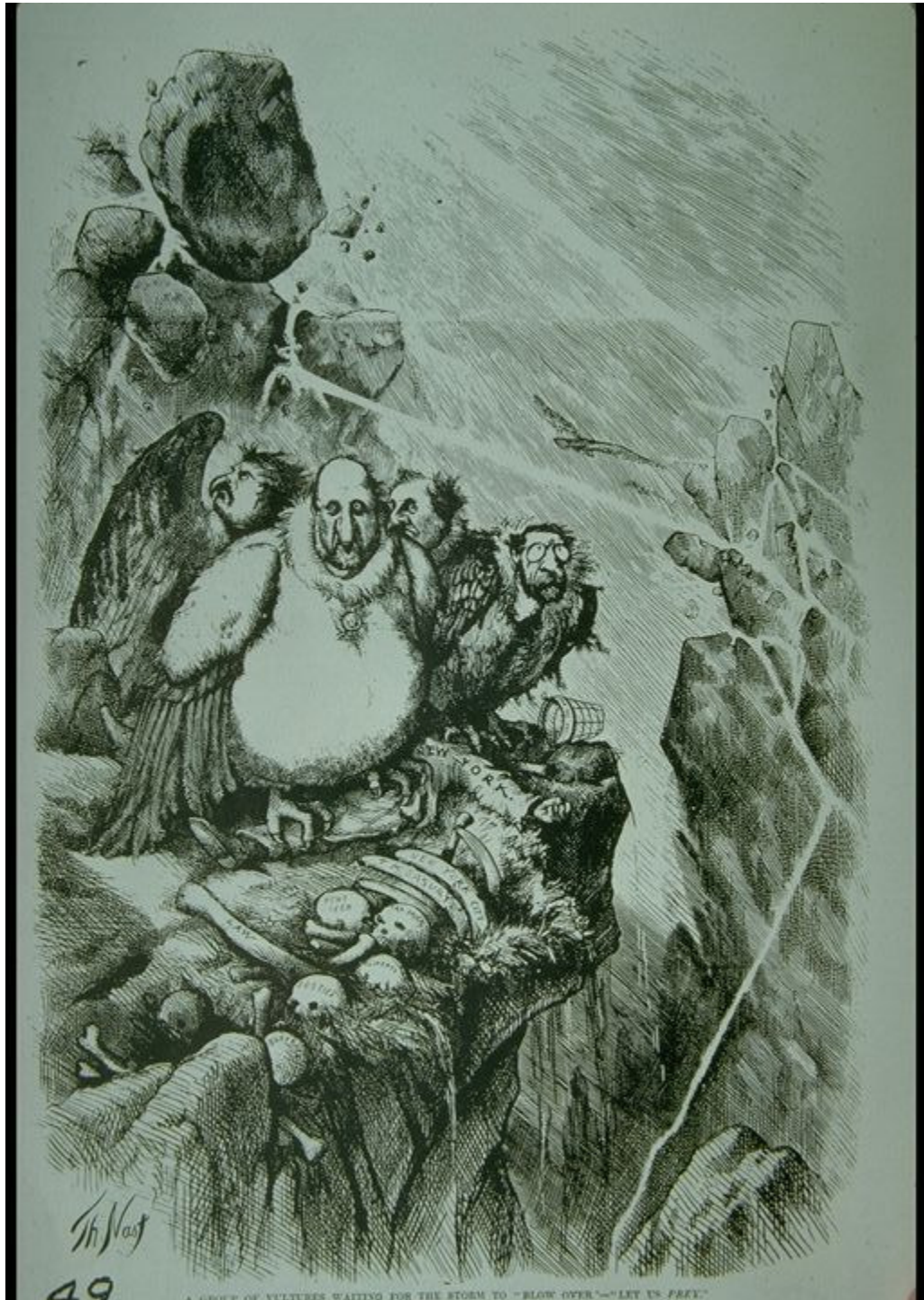
- **He was the symbol of corruption**
- **Stole more than \$100 million from NYC.**
- **Started as a building inspector.**
- **Controlled elections by stuffing the ballot box.**
- **Controlled politicians and police with bribes.**
- **Poor people loved him, bought them turkeys, gave away coal, and provided jobs. **Catch?****

# Thomas Nast

- **Muckraker**
- **Political Cartoonist who targeted Boss Tweed.**
- **Use of pictures and cartoons allowed the message to be understood by the poor and illiterate.**
- **Cartoons led to the demise and arrest of Boss Tweed.**



*Popular image of  
Santa Claus was  
created by Thomas  
Nast in 1855.*



A GROUP OF VULTURES WAITING FOR THE STORM TO "BLOW OVER" - "LET US FREE."



**"THAT'S WHAT'S THE MATTER."**

**BOSS TWEED.** "As long as I count the Votes, what are you going to do about it? say?"





THE GREAT MAN

WHOLESALE.  
N.Y. CITY TREASURY.



BAKERY AND



RETAIL.