Abraham Lincoln In Boston

"Lone Star of Illinois," the Almost Unknown Congressman, Caught the Fancy of Boston When He Made Speeches in Favor of Taylor and Fillmore in 1848 - He Never Spoke in Massachusetts After That Campaign.

Headline of Story

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their minds were not so concentrated upon it. It was agreed by all that slavery was an evil, but "we are not responsible for it, nor can we affect it in the states of this union where we do not live. But when it comes to the extension of slavery to new territ of this country that is a part of our responsib and care and it is under our control."

Then came the specimen of frontier wit which convulsed his auditors, and which was repeated and quoted from mouth to mouth all over the state. Arguing that the free ~~soilers~~ soilers were far behind the whigs in that the new party had no principle except their antislavery affirmation, he said that their platform was like a pair of pantaloons that the Yankee peddler was represented to have offered for sale, recommending his wares

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in the comprehensive statement that they were "large enough for any man and small enough for any boy."

A The second day after the convention Lincoln was speaking in Boston, and in the eight days from Sept 15 to Sept 22 inclusive he made seven ——

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were the requests upon the whig committee for the services of this novel and powerful spellbinder from out of the west that on Monday following the Friday night meeting in Tremont Temple, the Boston Atlas printed this paragraph:

"Hon Abaham Lincoln - In answer to the many applications which we daily receive from different parts of the state for this gentlemen to speak, we have to say that he left Boston on Saturday morning on his way home to Illinois"

He never spoke in Boston again. When he came east to make his Cooper Union speech, 10 years later, he extended his trip into Connecticut and New Hampshire and made addresses at New Haven, Hartford and Norwich and in the Granite state.

The day after his Tremont Temple speech he started back to Illinois, where he

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worked night and day for Taylor. Then he returned to comparative obscurity, where he thought about and reasoned upon the slavery question until he reached bedrock convictions, and thence he emerged to become a national figure in his debates with Stephen A. Douglass.

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