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To American citizens everywhere, who revere the Union as it came from the hands of its framers, in the hope of directing their attention afresh to the example and teaching of him who better than any other has declared the great political law, according to whose inexorable working Americans in the past fell into strife and disunion, and continued disregard of which will not less surely lead in the future, to further disorder and degradation, this volume, is with great earnestness and candor of spirit dedicated. "The past is past, and cannot be recalled; and a reference to it is only profitable as furnishing lessons of experience,"—Calhoun,

"I desire to die in the discharge of my daty; I have an unshaken reliance upon the providence of God,"-Calhoun,

"It is a serious misfortane to run half a century shead of the knowledge of the day; and if a man is bent on doing this, he should make up his mind to meet the consequences, and count the cost, Men of moderate intellect disapprove, the timid are alarmed, foesare excited, and friends stand about. A man, so determined to abide by Truth, through evil report and good report, must be content to brave the pity of some, the sneers of others, and the rancorous hatred of all who live and prosper by existing error."—Thomas Cooper,

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