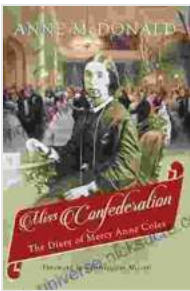


Miss Confederation: The Diary of Mercy Anne Coles

The Diary of Mercy Anne Coles, also known as Miss Confederation, provides a fascinating glimpse into the life of a young woman during the American Civil War. Coles' diary entries are filled with detailed descriptions of her daily life, her thoughts and feelings about the war, and her hopes and dreams for the future.



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Coles was born in Virginia in 1846. Her father was a wealthy plantation owner, and she grew up in a privileged lifestyle. However, the outbreak of the Civil War in 1861 changed everything. Coles' family was divided by the war, with her father supporting the Confederacy and her mother supporting the Union. Coles herself was torn between her loyalties to her family and her country.

In 1863, Coles began keeping a diary. Her diary entries provide a unique perspective on the war from the point of view of a young woman living in the South. Coles writes about the hardships of everyday life during the war, including food shortages, disease, and the constant threat of violence. She also writes about her own personal struggles, including her heartbreak over the loss of loved ones and her fears for the future.

Despite the challenges she faced, Coles remained optimistic about the future. She believed that the war would eventually end and that the United States would be reunited. She also believed that women would play an important role in the rebuilding of the country after the war.

Coles' diary is a valuable historical document that provides a unique perspective on the American Civil War. Her diary entries are a testament to the strength and resilience of the human spirit, and they offer a glimpse into the lives of women during this tumultuous period in American history.

Early Life and Education

Mercy Anne Coles was born on January 1, 1846, in Halifax County, Virginia. Her father, Walter Coles, was a wealthy plantation owner, and her mother, Anne Eliza Taylor Coles, was a descendant of President Zachary Taylor. Coles grew up in a privileged lifestyle, surrounded by slaves and servants. She received a private education from tutors and attended finishing school in Philadelphia.

Coles was a bright and curious child, and she loved to read and write. She was also an accomplished pianist and singer. In her diary, she often expressed her desire to become a writer and to make a difference in the world.

The American Civil War

The outbreak of the American Civil War in 1861 divided Coles' family. Her father was a strong supporter of the Confederacy, while her mother supported the Union. Coles herself was torn between her loyalties to her family and her country.

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Post-War Life

After the war, Coles continued to live in Virginia. She worked as a teacher and a writer, and she was active in the movement for women's rights. She never married, and she died in 1926 at the age of 80.

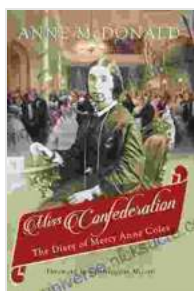
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Legacy

Mercy Anne Coles is remembered today as a writer, diarist, and women's rights activist. Her diary has been published and is considered to be a valuable historical document. Coles' work has been praised for its honesty, its insights into the human condition, and its contributions to the understanding of the American Civil War.

Coles is also remembered for her work on behalf of women's rights. She was a member of the National Woman Suffrage Association, and she wrote and spoke out in favor of women's suffrage. Coles' work helped to pave the way for women's suffrage in the United States.

Mercy Anne Coles was a remarkable woman who lived during a tumultuous period in American history. Her diary is a valuable historical document that provides a unique perspective on the American Civil War. Coles' work has been praised for its honesty, its insights into the human condition, and its contributions to the understanding of the American Civil War.



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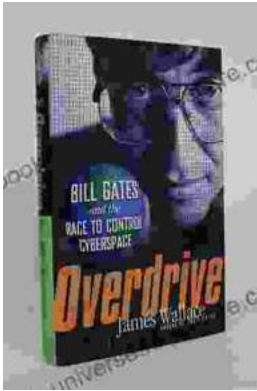
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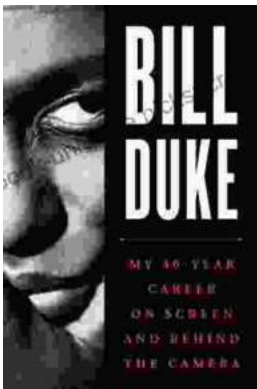
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