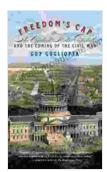
The United States Capitol And The Coming Of The Civil War

The United States Capitol is a historical landmark that played a significant role in the coming of the Civil War. This article explores the Capitol's history, architecture, and its connection to the events that led up to the outbreak of the war.

History

The United States Capitol was designed by William Thornton and built between 1793 and 1826. The building is located on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., and is the seat of the United States Congress. The Capitol has been the site of many important events in American history, including the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. It was also the site of the first inauguration of George Washington and the first meeting of the Supreme Court.



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The Capitol was originally built in a neoclassical style, but it has been expanded and remodeled several times over the years. The most significant expansion was the addition of the Senate and House wings in the 1850s. The Capitol was also damaged by fire in 1814, but it was rebuilt and enlarged.

Architecture

The United States Capitol is a massive building, with a length of 751 feet and a width of 350 feet. It is made of sandstone and marble, and it is topped by a large dome. The Capitol is a symbol of American democracy, and it is one of the most recognizable buildings in the world.

The Capitol's interior is just as impressive as its exterior. The building is filled with beautiful works of art, including paintings, sculptures, and tapestries. The Capitol also has a number of important rooms, including the Senate Chamber, the House Chamber, and the Supreme Court Chamber.

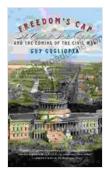
The Coming Of The Civil War

The United States Capitol was the site of many important events in the lead-up to the Civil War. In 1858, Abraham Lincoln gave his famous "House Divided" speech in the Capitol's House Chamber. In 1861, Jefferson Davis was inaugurated as the President of the Confederate States of America in the Capitol's Senate Chamber.

The Capitol was also the site of the first battle of the Civil War. On April 12, 1861, Confederate forces attacked Fort Sumter in Charleston Harbor, South Carolina. The battle marked the beginning of the Civil War, which lasted for four years and resulted in the deaths of over 600,000 Americans.

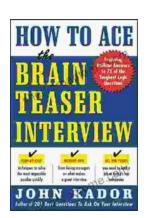
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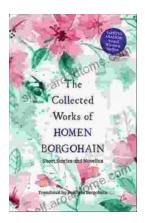
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