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# Chapter 1. The Civil War as a Crisis in Gender

- 1. Harriet Beecher Stowe read this eyewitness account by the man who helped the escaping slave woman and her child ashore in an antislavery magazine. It formed the basis for an early incident in her novel. Harriet Beecher Stowe, Uncle Tom's Cabin; or Life Among the Lowly (New York, 1892 [1853]), xiii.
- 2. Catharine Beecher, A Treatise on Domestic Economy (Boston, 1842). See also Kathryn Kish Sklar, Catharine Beecher: A Study in American Domesticity (New Haven, 1973), and Jeanne Boydston et al., The Limits of Sisterhood: The Beecher Sisters on Women's Rights and Women's Sphere (Chapel Hill, 1988). The political and social implications of the expansion of women's domestic authority in the North during this period has been discussed by many scholars. See, for example, Barbara Welter, "The Cult of True Womanhood, 1820-1860," American Quarterly (Summer 1966) 151-74; Nancy Cott, The Bonds of Womanhood: "Woman's Sphere" in New England, 1780-1835 (New Haven, 1977); Mary Ryan, Cradle of the Middle Class: The Family in Oneida County, New York, 1790-1865 (New York, 1981); and Ann Douglas, The Feminization of American Culture (New York,
- 3. Jane Tomkins, in her work Sensational Designs: The Cultural Work of American Fiction (New York, 1985), argues that the emergence of this critical domestic voice actually constituted the most "politically subversive dimension of Stowe's novel, more disruptive and far reaching in its potential consequences than even the starting of a war or the freeing of slaves" (142).

- 4. In the first year of its publication, the novel sold 300,000 copies and within a decade it had sold more than 2 million copies. James M. McPherson, Battle Cry of Freedom: The Civil War Era (New York, 1988), 88-89.
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  - 8. Chesnut, Mary Chesnut's Civil War, 245.
- 9. Nell Irvin Painter identifies a similar "maternal" attitude among the planterclass women in "The Journal of Ella Gertrude Clanton Thomas: An Educated White Woman in War and Reconstruction," in The Secret Eye, Virginia I. Burr, ed. (Chapel Hill, 1990).
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- 11. Ella Gertrude Clanton Thomas, "Journal" (Special Collections, Perkins Library, Duke University, Durham), Jan. 2, 1858.
- 12. In her biography of the best known of all southern women abolitionists, the Grimké sisters, Gerda Lerner argues that the root of their abolitionist sentiment lay in their resentment of their treatment when compared with their brother's. It was, according to Lerner, Sarah Grimké's squelched desire to have the same educational and professional opportunities as her brother that led her to identify with the position of her family's slaves. Of course perhaps no other southern women went to the lengths that the Grimkés did in actually leaving the South in order to carry out their commitment to a different social order. Gerda Lerner, The Grimhé Sisters from North Carolina (New York, 1967).
- 13. Rebecca Latimer Felton, Country Life in the Days of My Youth (Atlanta, 1919), 93.
  - 14. Ibid., 86-87, 101.
- 15. Mary Chesnut's Civil War, 169. Elizabeth Fox-Genovese, Within the Plantation Household (Chapel Hill, 1988), and Nell Irvin Painter, "The Journal of Ella Gertrude Clanton Thomas," have both discussed at greater length the ways in which planter-class women's gender interests were subordinated to their race and class privilege.
- 16. Mounting tension over the patriarchal powers of southern planter-class men in the decade before the outbreak of war has been discussed elsewhere at some length. See William R. Taylor, Cavalier and Yankee: The Old South and American National Character (Cambridge, Mass., [1957] 1979); Anne Firor Scott,

The Southern Lady: From Pedestal to Politics: 1830-1930 (Chicago, 1970), and "Women's Perspective on the Patriarchy in the 1950's," Journal of American History LXI (1974): 52-64; and Michael P. Johnson, "Planters and Patriarchy: Charleston, 1800-1860," Journal of Southern History XLVI (1980): 45-72. Suzanne Lebsock makes the case for a veritable gender backlash in the town of Petersburg in the 1850s. See The Free Women of Petersburg: Status and Culture in a Southern Town, 1784-1860 (New York, 1984), 225-36.

- 17. Joseph Jones to Caroline Davis Jones (Joseph Jones Papers, Tulane University, New Orleans), Feb. 12, 1859.
  - 18. Ibid., March 6, 1859.
- 19. As Fredrika Bremer wrote to Harriet Beecher Stowe upon the original publication of the novel, "I wondered that the woman, the *mother*, could look at these things and be silent—that no cry of noble indignation and anger would escape her breast, and rend the air, and pierce to the ear of humanity. I wondered, and God be praised! It has come [in the form of Stowe's novel] . . . the woman, the mother, has raised her voice out of the very soil of the new world in behalf of the wronged ones, and her voice vibrates still through two great continents, opening all hearts and minds to the light of truth." Harriet Beecher Stowe, *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, xxvii—xxviii.
- 20. For a further discussion of the development of northern women's feminist and abolitionist politics see Barbara Berg, The Remembered Gate: Origins of American Feminism (New York, 1978); Ellen Carol DuBois, Feminism and Suffrage: The Emergence of an Independent Women's Movement in America, 1848–1869; Blanche Hersh, The Slavery of Sex: Feminist Abolitionists in America (Urbana, Ill., 1978); and Caroll Smith-Rosenberg, Disorderly Conduct: Vision of Gender in Victorian America (New York, 1985).
  - 21. Augusta Chronicle and Sentinel, April 18, 1861.
- 22. Mary Chesnut's Civil War, 86. The question of war as an assertion of masculine identity has received considerable recent attention. See Nancy Hartsock, "Masculinity, Heroism and the Making of War," in Rocking the Ship of State, Adrienne Harris and Ynestra King, eds. (New York, 1989), 133–52. Sandra Gilbert, "Soldier's Heart: Literary Men, Literary Women and the Great War," Signs 8, no. 3 (1983): 422–50; Carol Cohn, "Sex and Death in the Rational World of Defense Intellectuals," Signs 12, no. 4 (1987): 687–718; and Jean Bethke Eltshain, "Women as Mirror and Other," Humanities in Society 5, no. 1–2 (1982).
- 23. Here Wyatt-Brown means to refer to white southern men who saw the challenge to their right to own slaves from the North as a denial of their liberty, of their prerogatives as free men. Bertram Wyatt-Brown, Southern Honor: Ethics and Behavior in the Old South (New York, 1982), 35. See also Gerald Linderman, Embattled Courage: The Experience of Combat in the American Civil War (New York, 1987), 8–16.
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- 27. As cited in David W. Blight, Frederick Douglass' Civil War: Keeping Faith in Jubilee (Baton Rouge, 1989), 13.
  - 28. McPherson, Negro's Civil War, 131.
- 29. See Blight, Frederick Douglass' Civil War for a more extended discussion of this point.
- 30. McPherson asserts that northern blacks met this response "everywhere they turned." Negro's Civil War, 22.
- 31. Ibid., 162.
- 32. Eric Foner, Free Soil, Free Labor, Free Men: The Ideology of the Republican Party Before the Civil War, discusses how Republican hostility toward the "slave-power" was in part a displacement of northern men's fears of the erosion of their status as economically independent, and therefore "free men," in the face of northern economic development.
- 33. This collapse of the southern social order from within is discussed by James L. Roark, Masters Without Slaves: Southern Planters and the Civil War and Reconstruction (New York, 1977); Ira Berlin et al., Freedom: A Documentary History of Emancipation: 1861–1867, and by Clarence Mohr, Masters and Slaves in Civil War Georgia (Athens, 1986).
- 34. See, for example, J. L. Underwood, The Women of the Confederacy (New York, 1906); Matthew Page Andrews, The Women of the South in Wartimes (Baltimore, 1920); Francis Butler Simkins and James Welch Patton, The Women of the Confederacy, H. E. Sterkx, Partners in Rebellion (Cranbury, N.J., 1970); and Bell Wiley, Confederate Women (Westport, Conn., 1975); and perhaps most recently, George C. Rable, Civil Wars: Women and the Crisis of Southern Nationalism (Urbana, 1988).
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- 36. Julia Cumming, who saw all four of her sons enlist in the first six months of war, confessed privately to her daughter of how the loss weighed on her, ting a "very peculiar shade of gloom on my spirits," but even then she mediately went on to berate herself for her lack of faith, saying say that she should have "more confidence and serenity than I now feel." Julia Bryan mming to Emily Cumming Hammond (Hammond, Bryan, Cumming Col-

lection, Caroliniana Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia), May 24, 1861.

- 37. Joseph Jones to Caroline Davis Jones, Oct. 8, 1861.
- 38. Caroline Davis Jones to Joseph Jones, Nov. 12, 1861.
- 39. Simkins and Patton, The Women of the Confederacy, 8-9.
- 40. Sterkx, Partners in Rebellion, 42.
- 41. Augusta Chronicle and Sentinel, April 25, 1861.
- 42. Ibid.
- 43. Mary Elizabeth Massey makes this point in Bonnet Brigades (New York, 1966), 367.
  - 44. Augusta Chronicle and Sentinel, Sept. 22, 1862.
- 45. *Ibid.*, May 7, 1861. Julia Bryan Cumming wrote to her daughter of the humiliation her son did in fact feel at his failure to enlist at the time. "Poor Jule, The Guards have gone without him and how immensely more painful is his state, than that of any of them, who have gone to face the horrors of honorable warfare." Julia Bryan Cumming to Emily Cumming Hammond, May 24, 1861.
- 46. This propensity to sacrifice for the cause led some women to strip their own households virtually bare. According to Mary Elizabeth Massey, this was an important reason why the domestic population suffered from serious shortages. Mary Elizabeth Massey, Ersatz in the Confederacy (Columbia, 1952), 31. See also Simkins and Patton, The Women of the Confederacy, 27.
  - 47. Augusta Chronicle and Sentinel, June 7, 1861.
  - 48. Ibid., Aug. 13, 1861.
- 49. Rebecca Latimer Felton, "Temperance," n.d., Felton Papers (Special Collections, University of Georgia, Athens). Looking back many years after the war, Felton claimed that it was the root of southern women's emergence as public figures. "The change stirred something in them—perhaps a murmur of the independence that was to echo down the corridors of future decades." Felton, The Romantic Story of Georgia's Women (Atlanta, 1930), 23. A position most forcefully argued by Scott, Southern Lady; as well as by Massey, Bonnet Brigades, and Wiley, Confederate Women.
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  - 51. Ibid., June 10, 1862.
- 52. Sarah Morgan Dawson, A Confederate Girl's Diary, James I. Robertson, ed. (Bloomington, 1960), May 9, 1862.
- 53. William G. Deloney to Rosa Deloney (William Gaston Deloney Papers (Special Collections, University of Georgia, Athens), March 13, 1862.
  - 54. Ibid., March 16, 1862.
  - 55. M.D.D. to Rosa Deloney, Nov. 6, 1863.
- 56. Anne Scott has argued that the Civil War "opened every door" to women, giving women entree into wage labor and public organizations in the postbellum period, but Suzanne Lebsock has subsequently argued that the war opened those doors only in the context of poverty and personal loss and no white southern women felt that load more heavily in the postwar period than women widowed by

the war. Anne Scott, The Southern Lady, 106-33; and Suzanne Lebsock, Free Women of Petersburg, 237-49.

- 57. By the last year of the war, Frank Coker was urging his wife to borrow money rather than suffer for enough to eat and wear. He counted on his ability to make money after the war was over to bail them out of debt. Frank Coker to Sarah Coker, Feb. 1, 1865. Two weeks later she wrote to tell him that she was hiring out more of their slaves because she lacked the resources to support them. Sarah Coker to Frank Coker, Feb. 18, 1865.
- 58. Jacqueline Jones, Labor of Love, Labor of Sorrow: Black Women, Work and the Family, from Slavery to the Present (New York, 1985), 44-78; Susan Archer Mann, "Social Change and Sexual Inequality: The Impact of the Transition from Slavery to Sharecropping on Black Women," in Signs 14, no. 4 (Summer 1989), pp. 133-57.
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- 62. Susan Cornwall, "Journal," Aug. 22, 1865. This sentiment was intensified by the widespread ridicule of southern white manhood in defeat in the northern press. See Nina Silber, "Intemperate Men, Spiteful Women, and Jefferson Davis," in this volume.
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  - 64. Stowe, Uncle Tom's Cabin, 467.

#### Chapter 2. Politics of Yeoman Households

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25. June 11, 21, July 3, 1862, Ann Wilkinson Penrose Diary (LSU); Marion Southwood, "Beauty and Booty," the Watchword of New Orleans (New York, 1867), 131-36; Rowland and Croxall, eds., Journal of Julia LeGrand, 151; Anderson, Journal of Kate Stone, 105.

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## Chapter 9. Women and Guerrilla Warfare

This essay is a slightly revised version of Inside War: The Guerilla Conflict in Missouri During the American Civil War (New York, 1989), 205-23.

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5. N. F. Carter to Jud Waldo, Camp Bragg, Arkansas, Nov. 26, 1863, Bland-

Harris Collection (JC).

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Rollins Collection (JC).

8. Deposition of Mrs. Mary Hall, Franklin County, May 11, 1865, Letters Received File 2593, Record Group 393 (NA). Hall made this deposition five days after the event to the Union Provost Marshal, of what she called "this Horrid Barbarity."

9. Court Martial of James Johnson, Jefferson City, May 18, 1863, Case MM 1021, Record Group 153, Judge Advocate General-General Court-Martial Rec-

10. Mrs. J. R. Roberts to General James B. Long, Quincy, Ill., April 7, 1864, Provost Marshal File Letters Received File 2786, Record Group 393 (NA).

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12. Entry for May 22, 1862, Dr. Joseph H. Trego Diary (Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka).

13. Major Jeremiah Hackett to Lt. Colonel Hugh Cameron, Cassville, June 15, 1864, OR, XXXIV (1): 993; entry for April 19, 1862, Henry Dysart Diary (Iowa State Historical Society, Iowa City).

14. Entries for April 20, 1862, July 9, 1863, Sardius Smith Diary (Illinois State

Historical Library, Springfield).

15. Entry for Oct. 19, 1862, James H. Guthrie Diary (Iowa State Historical

16. Entry for July 9, 1863, Sardius Smith Diary (Illinois State Historical

Library).

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W. Falker Letters (Wisconsin State Historical Society).

18. Entries for April 6, Harrisonville; April 15, south of Springfield; April 19, Berryville, Arkansas; April 28, in northern Arkansas, Anne E. Hemphill, ed., "The 1864 Diary of Seth Kelly," Kansas History I (Autumn 1978): 189-210, at 194, 196, 197. For an analysis of northern and eastern images of such rural types see Michael Fellman, "Alligator Men and Card Sharpers: Deadly Southwestern Humor," Huntington Library Quarterly XLIX (Autumn 1986): 307-

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odore Ritsmiller Letters (Manuscript Department, William R. Perkins Library, Duke University, Durham.)-

20. Entry for May 29, 1862, Dr. Joseph H. Trego Diary (Kansas State Historical Society).

21. Entry for Jan. 24, 1865, Diary of W. W. Moses (Kansas State Historical Society). Moses or someone else glued a piece of paper over this diary entry, sometime after the war.

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## Chapter 10. Confederate Women and Narratives of War

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