

Chapter 10

Section 1: Two Nations

Historians & the Civil War

- Some think it could have been avoided
 - Had better elected leaders & established stronger political institutions
 - Extremists were allowed to take over

- Idea that we could have settled our differences because we all supported the idea of democracy, free enterprise, & social equality
 - Recently been rejected

The Case Against Slavery

- By 1850's many northerners believed that slavery violated the basic principles of the U.S. & Christian religion
 - Didn't necessarily think they were equals

Uncle Tom's Cabin

- Written by Harriet Beecher Stowe
- Published in 1852
- Antislavery novel
 - Showed the harsh reality of slavery

Impact of Uncle Tom's Cabin

- Fiction ESSAY
- Lincoln blamed her for the war
- Many northerners believed slavery would be the ruin of the U.S.

Southern Views on Slavery ESSAY

- Thought Stowe's book was insulting lies
- Many spoke out to defend slavery
 - Attacked northern industry
- Weren't going to let northerners tell them how to live

Differences Between the North & the South

- Trains & Trade
 - Most railroads in the north
 - Dramatically reduced the cost & time needed to ship goods from factories or farms to the market
 - Made canals obsolete

- Remote places became the centers of trade
- 1850's South attempted to catch up
- Most still used water to transport goods

The Telegraph

- Patented by Samuel F.B. Morse in 1844
- Allowed people to send messages over wires by using a code of short & long pulses of electricity
 - Wires were strung along railroad tracks

- 1860- North has 110,000 factories producing \$1.6 billion
 - South had 20,000 producing 155 million
- South outranked the north in the number of enslaved people & produced more cotton