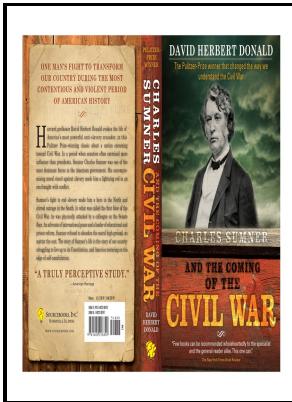


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This portion of the cane eventually ended up at the in Boston; it was worked to smooth the edges and finish, and then put on display. On May 22, 1856, in retaliation for the degrading remarks made against his cousin, Brooks entered the Senate chambers and accosted Sumner at his desk, beating him with a cane until Sumner was a bloody unconscious pulp. Senate elections, because senators were chosen by the state legislatures.

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Sumner was a close associate of , an influential Unitarian minister in Boston. On the positive side: the Preston Brooks assault on Sumner is a fascinating story and underrated in the history books. Once in the Senate, Sumner sought to find the appropriate time to address the issue of slavery.

Sumner, Charles

There needs to be another book on what happens next! Whether he could have been more effective had he adopted a different style when extremism was the rule, rather than the exception, is debatable. This 1960 biography presents a very interesting and readable history of one of the great anti-slavery orators of his day. As the nation hurdled toward Civil War over the issue of slavery, radicals like Sumner on both sides of the debate aggravated dissension with histrionic rhetoric inflammatory even for the period.

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I'm only about 100 pages in as of April 9 and he's turning out to be an irascible character in Boston's history. According to Manisha Sinha, Sumner had been ridiculed and insulted by both Douglas and Butler for his opposition to the and the Kansas-Nebraska Act, with Butler crudely Sumner by making sexual allusions to black women, like many slaveholders who accused abolitionists of promoting interracial marriage.

Bleeding Kansas

This event led to the as the violence surrounding Kansas put pressure of national politicians to accept a constitution that definitively legalized or prohibited slavery in an attempt to stop the bloodshed. His wife brought little more warmth to the Sumner household.

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The outbreak of the Civil War forever changed the future of the American nation and perhaps most notably the future of Americans held in bondage. Darius Cobb, the Artist Darius Cobb 1834-1919 , was born in Malden, Massachusetts. In a period when senators often exercised more influence than presidents, Senator Charles Sumner was one of the most powerful forces in the American government and remains one of the most controversial figures in American history.

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