

## Transcription

### "The President's infamous Proclamation"

Then followed the President's infamous Proclamation, indicating a purpose to subjugate the Southern States. It was this that did the business in Virginia, not the attack on Fort Sumter. It was this that swept away the last refuge of the Union men of Virginia. They could not maintain their ground in the face of the Proclamation breathing nothing but vengeance, subjugation and war.

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