

*"The north has adopted a system of revenue and disbursements, in which an undue proportion of the burden of taxation has been imposed on the South, and an undue proportion of its proceeds appropriated to the north ... The South as the great exporting portion of the Union has, in reality, paid vastly more than her due proportion of the revenue."*

South Carolina senator John C. Calhoun in 1850.

"The North fought for empire which was not and never had been hers; the South for an independence she had won by the sword, and had enjoyed in law and fact ever since the recognition of the thirteen 'sovereign and independent States,' if not since the foundation of Virginia. Slavery was but the occasion of the rupture, in no sense the object of the war." Let me add a statement which will be confirmed by every veteran before me,--no man ever saw a Virginia soldier who was fighting for slavery.

-By Judge George L. Christian..Before the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans in Culpeper, Va 1898

**The Southern states were bearing the overwhelming majority of the tax burden and how Northeastern industrial interests had promised to impose a massive hike in the tariff rate (tariffs eventually rose from 17% prior to the war to 47%) and how the Northern states were using their congressional majority to vote themselves about 80% of federal funding for infrastructure projects. I hope they will mention the address of Robert Barnwell Rhett which was attached to South Carolina's declaration of causes as well as the significant part of Georgia's declaration of causes detailing the economic exploitation of the Southern states at the hands of the Northern controlled federal government as well as numerous newspaper columns North, South and International explaining the economic causes of the war as well as the Corwin Amendment passed by the Northern congressional delegation with Lincoln's full support as he declared in his first inaugural address instead of just repeating the same old propaganda that it was " all about slavery" . This is particularly the case for a state like Virginia which only seceded after being ordered by the federal government to provide troops with which to invade other states after it had tried for months to work out a compromise.**

Before the War, Before Lincoln Took Over Office - The Northern Military Officers and Southern Military Offices "Worked Together" to Find a Solution, Under a Flag of Truce. Even Before Lincoln took over as President, he was Sending Letters to Gen. Winfield Scott - Pushing the Northern Military to Acts which could Lead to Confrontation. At Fort Pickens, at Charleston, at Alexandria hours after Virginia Seceded, Lincoln Pushed Confrontation and Use of the Military Forces Against the South. Not Allowing the Peace Commission to get Involved - He Wasn't Going to Allow the South to Leave. This was his War, and We Should Never Allow the North of Blaming the South for the War.

From Bobby Edwards

Treason is defined in the Constitution as "levying war against the states." By waging an unconstitutional war against the South the president has incriminated himself.

War of Northern Aggression in a nutshell- Northern industrialists were losing power to the Southern commodity producers who were then investing their wealth into their own manufacturing. The Northern Politicians passed the Morrill Tariff Of 1860 that increased the effective rate collected on dutiable imports by approximately 70%. The biggest impact was on imported British manufactured goods which were then main competition to Northern Industrial goods. The British responded by raising the tariffs on the only things that they imported from the U.S., raw commodities from the South. This destroyed the Southern Economy and gave a huge boost to the Northern economy to build their war machine. Slavery is what was sold to the Northern citizens, but the reality is that the war was about dominating people and resources in the South.