Definition of Crusade

1- Crusade - croisade. - croisadier. -

2. - Secondary and non-historical sense

Webster. "A hostile expedition undertaken from religious motives or prosecuted with religious zeal: any hot-headed fanatical enterprise."

This misses the core. Cr. - may be prosecuted from motives not religious and need not be "hot-headed" or "fanatical" "Religious zeal", "hotheadedness" and fanaticism may co-exist and yet no crusade

Example. Roman soldier. St. ——

Converted "Heathen Chinee"

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Most important element left out. — "One swallow does not make a summer" One "zealot" "fanatic" or "hotheaded man" does not make a crusade. — enough may.

Hot-headedness and fanaticism not necessary, but zeal fervent as wax, - essential

Next element of historical crusade.

— It began at the Bottom and worked up. — Dirty vagabond, visionary mendicant friar, Peter Hermit. — Preached to dull peasants - filled with his zeal, — followed by scores, — hundreds, — thousands. Nobles, — Princes, — Priests, — Bishops, crowned kings and thrice crowned popes.

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Second element. — Universality of spirit — engrosses all other thoughts, — minifies all other questions, — grinds parties, rank and social forms to powder, — makes prince and peasant equal, — makes the shadow of the ~~cross-bars~~ crossed-bars the only badge of nobility. — puts the penitent hair-shirt, beneath the coat of mail, the Benedictine cord, beneath the purple robe and lays the knotted cord with unflagging force upon the tenderest back; — parts husband and wife, — lady and loon, and bows beneath its wild will every thought, feeling form and sacrament, — and consecrates like the master's hand or priest's touch

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These elements are not lost sight of in the secondary use of the term — the non-historical crusade. The instinct of common use is truer to the words import than the unimpassioned intellectuality of the lexicographer. It requires all these elements and one more which is differential, crucial in its character. To constitute a movement a crusade it must be unusual, — striking. Phenomenal, in its character.

Churches — may be fanatical, zealous, hot-headed, but their ordinary movements, efforts and methods, do not constitute crusades.

Missionaries not crusaders.

National movements, Wars, Conquest etc

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Party movements. Reforms & changes in government usually effected piecemeal, as result of party dictation or necessity.
Instance. — Jackson's war upon the bank — denial of right of search, acquisition of territory, adoption of Greenbacks. — etc. —
Ex. — of modern crusades
Anti-corn-law crusade in England.
Began with people. Barry Cornwall. Cobden &c
Anti-Slavery crusade. — remembered by all. — still a young man. — mobs. — praying abolition. — universal conviction. — the fire kindled. — all else chaff.

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Then began at the bottom, — party leaders, — professional politicians, — hereditary states=men, men preached crusades. —

Progress comes from underneath.

Barry Cornwall, Cobbett. — Milton. — Crom=well. — Wilberforce. — Howard. — Garrett. — John Stuart Mill. — the Peter Hermit of England Sumner. — Phillips. — Brahmin=blooded — lost caste to become such. — laid aside a crown to lead the Hospitallers.

Hale. — Giddings. — Lovejoy — first=fruits Garrison. — Foster. John Brown and a thou=sand other martyr names came from the underflow, — bore the cross, and won the shirts. —

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But one political crusade in America
Why? — Americans accounted excitable
English and American conservatism con=
trasted. —

Americans not crazy over abstraction
Cap of Liberty or tri=color will never make
them shouts the millennium, — adore the guillotine
or dance the frenzied measures which the
streets of Paris knew in '93.
Only overwhelming danger or the most
apparent interest can fuse them into hom=
ogeneous heat. —

Examples Communism since 1873
Mormonism

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English conservatism, is the love of the past merely because it is past. Regards horiness next to holiness, sits on the coat-tail and faces to the rear. — A gnome crying holy &c. — Struck its taproot deep in Common Law. Stare decisis fundamental. ?

American Conservatism bottomed on vis inertia. — Chief end of American to get gain. — Dollar dangles at fore. from cradle to grave. Cuts his teeth on dollar of our daddies and his eye teeth on somebody else dollar. Absorbed. — Iconoclast. No reverence. — Utilitarian. Opposes governmental changes from economic apprehension.

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Is there any thought, principle or contingency of the near future which will so enter and possess the national heart and brain, so fuse all differences, so consume all minor issues, so crush existing methods, — organizations, — leaders, — so echo from the people and speak their own thoughts as to fill the rigorous requirements of the definition we have given and constitute the Coming Crusade? I believe there is. —

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I think I hear a whisper, a sibilant whisper, — Civil Service Reform.
Let me tell a secret.
It is not C.S.R. and (Graveyard!)
I dont believe it ever will be.
C.S.R. inconsistent with American ideas Impossible as every lawyer knows without Constitutional change.
Worshippers of English methods advocate Something besides Economy to be subserved.
More than Money to be saved, Franklin Saunders. — Mason. — Office-holders, politicians Glad of it! Regular Army Aristocracy, Dodges Niggers! Refusal to parade!
Not any more in mine!

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What then can be the motive of no Crusade impending before the American people?

In one word - Ignorance — ignorance as a National Evil — Ignorance as a National Danger!

Hitherto ignorance has been considered in regard to the state as an economic evil only. The increase of production power by education — the decrease of crime and poverty by the same means have been carefully and forcibly presented by able tongues and pens than mine — Ignorance as a political power, — an evil threatening the continuance and perpetuity of our Republican institutions is only just beginning to thrust itself on our attention

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What is there then, that can be the subject of a crusade?

Requested to give some account of educational methods and progress since the close of the war.

Unnecessary, because what has been done so insignificant as compared with what remains to be done.

See following pages

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has not yet become so linked with righteousness as to overpower our American Conservatism.

So that we ask ourselves, in speaking of the coming crusade perhaps with something of incredulity at the first, "Is there any thought any event of the present or near future which fills every requirement of this very broad and yet very restricted definition of a modern American Crusade?"

Ladies and Gentlemen, when I was invited to address you, it was intimated to me that it would be agreeable if I should give you this evening some account of the educational methods and progress of the South since the close of the war. I cannot do it, not because I am unfamiliar with what has been done but because what has been done is so insig=

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nificant when compared with what remains to be done as to be quite unworthy of your attention in considering and estimating general results.

Understand me. I do not mean to depreciate what has been done. Northern charity has done much, Peabody's thoughtful munificence perhaps more. Public ~~and private~~ appropriation considerable and private enterprise something. The charity of the North has been mostly administered by the churches, and has built up quite a number of fine schools in which a limited number of pupils are taught, principally intended to recruit the ministerial ranks of the denomination to which they are attached. The Peabody fund distributes distributes the income of his munificent bequest, to schools of either race in sums suf=

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ficient to pay a certain per cent (usually one half) of the expenses, if the schools have an enrollment of two hundred and an average attendance for nine months of 66 2/3 per cent. Generally speaking, the public school system of the South is a myth. The average assessment is barely sufficient to afford about two-thirds the school population a meager show at something called a school about three months in the year. Where public schools are formed large enough to share the subsidy found some good nuclei are growing up. Without that they would undoubtedly perish. The public school buildings and accommodations of the South are simply too poor to talk about. The city of Raleigh the capital of North Carolina has

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not a public school building. It rents cheap offices for its ~~public~~ colored schools and an old Governor's mansion which was abandoned by the State's executive because of its antiquated unfitness does duty for the white graded schools of about 350 pupils. I do not hesitate to say that, excepting the State University, the public school buildings of Denver alone, are worth twice as much and are a hundred times as valuable for the purposes as all the public school buildings of that State. Here again it is well to look outside of statistics. In the country there a schoolhouse means a log house, with a split shingle roof and pine slab seats. Outside of three or four of the cities I do not know of a stone or brick school house in the state. The teaching is usually of a very poor

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character. For a time there were a considerable number of Northern teachers in many sections but the fear of having the youthful minds contaminated with the virus of Northern ideas has caused them to be gradually weeded out until only a few remain. A ~~perceptible~~ distinct and positive effort at improvement in this regard is perceptible in Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee, Georgia, and perhaps in Florida. In the others it is not perceptible. Indeed, the best observers think there is an actual retrogression, impossible as that seems.

It is evident to anyone who will consider the matter for a moment, that during the decade from 1860 to 1870 within the limits of the Confederacy education of all kinds fell greatly in arrears. All the educational institutions in the South were

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closed during a portion of the time and the greater part of them during almost its entire period. Very few of them re-opened until 1868 or 69 and during the troublous period of the reconstruction era the enlightened legislation in regard to education was in a great measure prevented from bearing its legitimate fruits by the bitter and unreasoning prejudices of the ~~[illegible]~~ native whites who regarded the public school systems as a trick devised by the Devil and carried into effect by the Yankees, for the sole purpose of securing their degradation and the destruction of their ancient glory. Of the white children of that decade under the age of 15 years a far-greater proportion than formerly are illiterate on this account.

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On the other hand the first taste of liberty brought to the freedmen an unusual thirst for knowledge, at least for such a mastery of the Cadmean mysteries as would enable them to read a little and write less. Many of them learned just enough to enable them to figure in the census reports as able to read and write — though the easy lessons of the primer were all they could wrestle with in the line of reading and a questionable imitation of their own written name bounded their chirographic power.

These served however to balance the falling off among the white illiterates above the age of fifteen and left the totals of illiteracy in the census of 1870 — in that section not much different

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from what they had been ten years before.

Into the next census will come those who were under 15 at the time of the last - and from my own observation and the general impression of good observers there I am led to believe that the illiteracy tables will but little ~~[illegible]~~ change in the aggregate. The proportion of actually illiterate blacks will be somewhat reduced and the proportion of illiterate adult whites increased in about the same ratio - I make this statement lest some of you should conclude that the decade which has elapsed since the census of 1870, had made such changes as should affect materially the views which I shall present -

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What the fathers thought.—Washington. Hamilton &c. Fear and trembling. "We the people".
Property qualifications in original 13.
Voting a privilege, not a right.
Growth of Republican idea.—
Property qualification abolished except in Delaware.

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What must be the result.

Either 45 per cent of illiterate voters + 6 per cent of those who can read in those states may exercise more than 1/3 the electoral power of the nation, or may poll four fifths of the votes necessary to elect a president —

2nd This mass of ignorance must lose its representative power, through intimidation, fraud or corruption and swing back and forth like a pendulum of fate. a balance of power which may at anytime neutralize the majority of intelligence in the rest of the land.

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boody who has trouble with his "h's"
Of this class are those who are forever telling us that the best men of the country are crowded out of politics by the corruption, party spirit, calumny which now prevail. I dont believe a word of it!
I know there are men who claim to be indefferent upon political subjects who shun personal prominence, as they claim for these reasons, I know they claim to be the best of the people. the creme de la creme. I simply do not believe. They are professional scolders, thin-skinned dreamers or white fingured or white-livered dilletante specimens of some grand old virile stock

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which is like a hill of potatoes, the best part undir ground

They are those of whom old Milton wrote with a quiet forceful sneer in those days when he was inditing Paradise Lost in the morning and writing Cromwellian lampoons in the afternoon. Every page of which was worth a broadside to the Roundhead cause.

"I cannot" said he with fine scorn. "I cannot praise a fugitive and cloistered virtue which slinks out of the race where the immortal garland is to be run for, not without dust and heat." and so say I.

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But, it may be asked. "Is there any real danger from such a source?" There are ignorant people ~~[illegible]~~ of course, but they are not very many

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The word crusade has been very shabbily treated by lexicographers as regards its secondary or non-historical significance. Originally and historically it signified, of course, those strange movements of the Christian peoples of Western Europe upon Palestine and Asia Minor, which were then termed Holy wars. Considered with regard to the motives of those engaging in them they were strangely complex. Religious zeal, a desire to secure the holy sepulcher from the rule of the infidel and establish the dominion of the Church on the Holy Land, is generally and perhaps truly accounted the chief incentive of these warlike movements. When we come to study them more closely, however, we shall find that ambition, the ~~desire~~ thirst for military renown, a selfish desire to

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obtain the absolution promised by the Pope to all such as should take the cross upon their shoulders as a sign of enlistment and thus become, crois=adiers in the then unformed French tongue - cross=wearers — crusaders; for there is little doubt that what our lexicographers term the radical word was itself derived from our derivative - Crusade is the derivative of Crusader.

In the course of time, however, these words came to be used in a secondary and non=historical sense, referring to movements having objects unknown to the original crusades and which were perhaps entirely unconnected with any religious motive. This secondary significance is defined by Webster to be

A hostile expedition undertaken from religious motives

political intrigue. Such was Jackson's war upon the Bank, the complications arising during Monroe's administration, the war with Mexico and all the other progressive steps of our government not connected with that great popular uprising against the Slave power in which the Republican Party had its birth. For the first time then the power of the people showed itself above and in advance of the politicians and party managers who had before, not only controlled national action but had moulded and formed public sentiment. From that hour the regular-built professional statesman or politician disappeared from American politics unless who had either ambition or brains, for an idea which might serve to continue its lease of power. In so doing his attention was attracted to the abuses and corruptibility of the Post Office Department. The trained forces who had charge of it had become conformed and ex-

are not of this class. The regular, professional, hereditary politicians are in most cases simply formulators of other men's ideas. A curious illustration of this fact is afforded by the late Sir Rowland Hill who has recently been held up to us as an instance of its results. The fact is that Sir Rowland Hill reformed the postal service of Great Britain and of the world not because he had grown up step by step in slow gradation from the lowest round in the ladder of that service to the highest, but because he had never been in it at all. The necessities of his party compelled him to look about as it did all the others members who had either ambition or brains, for an idea which might serve to continue its lease of power. In so doing his attention was attracted to the abuses and capacity of the Post Office Department. The trained forces who had charge of it had become confirmed and in-

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curable red-tapists who threw every possible obstacle in the way of his proposed reforms and improvements. Such ever has been and ever will be the result of such a system.

The cry of Reform — Civil Service Reform — together with the ~~knowledge~~ belief in of serious abuses or defects in our present system has induced many good men to yield their unquestioning assent to a proposed system the very first result of which would be to establish an office holding caste, a peculiar and privileged class or grade in society. Not only this but certain clamorous admirers of British politics, forgetful that only a change of the constitution can make any such rule of appointment and gradation, and life-tenure a ~~fro~~ binding upon the appointing power, are wont to blame the appointing power for not having the same

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sentimental regard for English institutions as they them=
selves cherish. A civil service based on a ~~[illegible]~~ of life tenure and having reg=
ular degrees of rank and grade, might perhaps perform
the public labor at less expense. (I am not fully pre=
pared to admit even that) but it would certainly
deprive the service of its present character of intimate
and indissoluble relations with the citizens. It would
make the servant quite independent of his fellow citizen
and would take away all motive for an expedi=
tious polite and cheerful performance of public du=
ties. It would assimilate our service to that of Europe
in which duty to the state, or the Sovereign absorbs all
consideration of the people — the individuals whom the
functionary serves. That it would be better methodized
I admit. That it would render more efficient
service I am strongly inclined to doubt —

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The term Crusade has been shabbily treated by lexicographers. As to its primary meaning, of course there could be mistake. Historically it signifies those strange movements half-religious and, half-inspired by love of conquest and wholly warlike which originated among the christian nations of Western Europe and were directed against the Moslemic Infidels who held the Holy Sepulcher and the Holy Land from the 8th to the 12th centuries. We are told that crusader is derived from it but the relation of these words should evidently be reversed. Crusader — the crois-adier of the then unformed French tongue, — a cross-wearer, evidently preceded in point of time, the collective word, and had reference to the figure of a cross worn on

1 - The word Crusade - abuse of

really a derivative from croisadier

= one who bore the cross - whence croisade or

crusade = the expedition of the cross = bearers -

(b) - Original meaning plain - Secondary deficient

Webster's definition -

Lacks elements

(1) = Extent, popularity, generality.
One swallow does not make a summer
nor one zealot a crusade

(2) - It must begin at the bottom and work up - it works like yeast and make a general rising -

7 (c) - False application - Temperance crusades - not general - Civil service Reform Crusade - Begins at the top - too indefinite - &c -

11 What necessary to crusade in American politics - English estimate of Americans false - American Conservatism distinguished from English

Three things must co = exist to constitute a crusade in Am politics -

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Colored attended School – in U.S.

W – 88.594
91.778
180.372

Whole colored pop in U.S.

2/4.835.106
~~2.417.503~~ Only 2.000.000 in school age

2.00/18.00
9

Only 9 percent of them in school ages attended school –

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By the Census of 1870 we find that –

(1) The illiterate adults, of the former slave states over the age of twenty years aggregate ; Of which –

(2) – are males and

– are females;–

(3) – – are whites and

– – are colored –

(4) – Of the entire adult population – – percent are unable to read or write

Of the entire voting population – – percent are unable to read or write –

Of the white voters – or – – percent cannot read the ballots which they cast – Of the entire colored voting

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voting population 1/5 of Repre-

sentative population

	Rep Pop		vot
Ala -	996.992	÷ 5 =	199.398
Ark	484 471	=	96 894
Del.	125.015	=	25.003
Fla.	187.748	=	37.549
Ga -	1.184.109	=	236.821
Ky.	1.321.011	=	264.202
La	726.915	=	145.383
Md	780.894	=	156.179
Miss.	827.922	=	165.584
Mo	1.721.295	=	344.259
NC	1.071.361	=	214.272
~~Ga~~ C.	705.606	=	141.121
Tenn -	1.258.520	=	251.704
Tex -	818.579	=	163.715
Va -	1.225.168	=	245.032
W. Va	442.014	=	88.403

Total voters - 2.775.519.

14.781.545

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10 yrs old & upwards -

Total - 5,658,000

- 21 and over -

	Col	Col
Male -	726,000	862,000
Female -	1,120,000	946,000

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Sheeve State

21 + over — Whites illiterates —

	Males	Females
Alabama	17,429	31,001
Arkansas	13,610	21,770
Delaware	8,990	13,683
Florida	3,466	4,566
Georgia	3,876	5,600
Kentucky	43,826	62,725
Louisiana	12,048	15,540
Maryland	13,344	19,422
Mississippi	9,357	13,746
Missouri	34,780	50,124
North Ca	33,111	62,728
S. Carolina	12,490	17,901
Tennessee	37,713	68,825
Texas	17,505	19,845
Virginia	27,646	40,351
W. Virginia	15,181	24,545
	304,372	458,372

Total - Sel. Wh. Voters 304.372
" " Col " 819.022
1.123.394

2.775.519
2.246.788
528.731

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68.669
101.780

OC
70.830
12.490
83.220

141.121) 83.2200 (58 – 59 percent
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1.265.950
1125.968
136.992.

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that our progress as a nation in democracy, intelligence, and freedom dates from his administration. There have been times when but for this incentive there would have been no organized opposition. What would the Democratic party be today without this common hope. "A very king of shreds and patches. It would not hold together a fortnight, and there is nothing more dangerous to constitutional liberty than an unchecked majority –

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Reforms and changes in our government have usually been effected piecemeal and not unfrequently without any clear or general idea upon the part of the masses of the people as to their character. Changes in financial and foreign policy have usually been the result of party dictation or

Ten years

The states in wh. 45 prct of the voters can not read ~~elect~~ chose 36 per cent of the electoral voters –

51
36
15
4
60

36 | 6
32

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Ah, I think I hear some one say it must be Temperance — and now we are to be invited to consider all the horror of strong drink. — Alas no, — If the poverty and crime and sorrow and want and desolation which intemperance flaunts before our eyes every day, of our lives, — if the thousands of silent spectres who cross the silent river to make a crusade which should sweep this evil from the er every year by reason of intoxication have failed earth, my weak voice were useless to effect anything towards it. Then it must be Civil Service Reform —

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Total Adult Male illiterates in U.S. 1,580.000

Total " " " in former Slave States 1123.000
45%

" Voting pop. of U.S 7.623.000

" Voting pop of former Slave States - 2.775.000 -

Percent of illiterate voters in former S.C. 45

" " " " " S.C. 59.

Illiterate voters in 16 states 1.123.000

Composed of whites 304.000
Colored 819,000

Proportion of illit. voters to entire voters in U.S. 20 per ct

In states not slave 9 1/2 "

In slave states 45

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Slave States — Colored Illiterates 21 years

	Male	Female
Ala.	91,097	98,344
Ark.	28,681	22,698
Del.	3,765	4,205
Fla.	16,806	18,052
Georgia	100,551	112,361
Ken.	37,889	43,227
La.	76,612	79,437
Maryland	27,123	32,582
Miss.	80,810	87,327
Mo.	18,002	20,557
N. Ca.	68,669	76,177
S. Ca.	70,850	77,924
Tenn.	55,938	63,248
Tex.	47,235	47,583
Va.	97,908	109,657
W. Va.	3,186	3,442
	819,022	888,881

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Total number of adult male illiterates in U.S.

colored – 854:422.

726.375

1,580.797

1,123,394 – in former slave states

467.403 – in balance of U.S.

38
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376
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226

184
2
368
76
292

103
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270
98
135

368)1350(36
1104
2460
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252

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Extracts from and notes
of Coming Crusade.

Refer to Republic

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