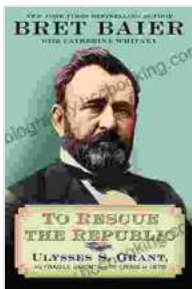


# Ulysses Grant: The Fragile Union and the Crisis of 1876

Ulysses S. Grant, the 18th President of the United States, is a complex and fascinating figure. He is best known for his military leadership during the Civil War, but his presidency was also marked by significant challenges and accomplishments.

One of the most important events during Grant's presidency was the Crisis of 1876. This political crisis erupted in the aftermath of the presidential election of 1876, which was one of the most closely contested elections in American history. The Democratic candidate, Samuel J. Tilden, won the popular vote by more than 250,000 votes. However, the Republican candidate, Rutherford B. Hayes, won the electoral vote by a single vote. The election was so close that it took several months to determine the winner.



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The Crisis of 1876 was a major challenge to the fragile union that had been restored after the Civil War. The Democrats accused the Republicans of stealing the election, and there were widespread calls for violence. Grant refused to use federal troops to suppress the Democrats, and he eventually negotiated a compromise that allowed Hayes to take office.

Grant's decision to compromise was a controversial one, but it ultimately averted a civil war. However, the Crisis of 1876 left a lasting legacy of bitterness and division. It also weakened Grant's presidency and made it difficult for him to achieve his goals.

Despite the challenges he faced, Grant made significant progress on a number of important issues during his presidency. He signed the Civil Rights Act of 1875, which outlawed discrimination based on race in public accommodations. He also established the Department of Justice and the Secret Service. Grant also presided over the nation's economic recovery from the Panic of 1873.

Grant's presidency was a time of great change and upheaval. He faced numerous challenges, but he also made significant progress on a number of important issues. His legacy is a complex and controversial one, but he remains one of the most important figures in American history.

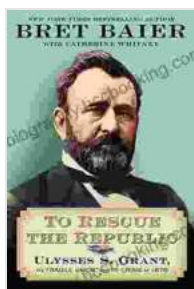
#### **\*\*Additional Information\*\***

- Ulysses S. Grant was born in Point Pleasant, Ohio, on April 27, 1822.
- He graduated from West Point in 1843 and served in the Mexican-American War.

- He resigned from the Army in 1854 and worked as a farmer and businessman.
- He returned to the Army in 1861 and became a general in the Union Army.
- He led the Union Army to victory in the Civil War.
- He was elected President of the United States in 1868.
- He served two terms as President.
- He died in New York City on July 23, 1885.

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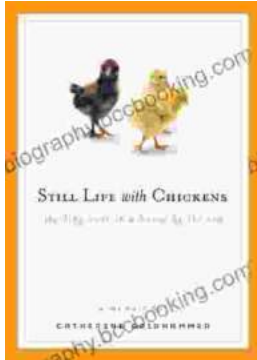


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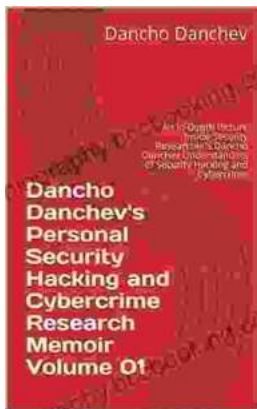
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