

6. An Attack on Lincoln's Leadership, 1864

Lesson the First

I.

What is the Constitution?

A compact with hell—now obsolete.

II.

By whom hath the Constitution been made obsolete?

By Abraham Africanus the First.

III.

To what end?

That his days may be long in office—and that he may make himself and his people the equal of the negroes.

IV.

What is a President?

A general agent for negroes.

V.

What is Congress?

A body organized for the purpose of taxing the people to buy negroes, and to make laws to protect the President from being punished for his crimes. . . .

XVI.

What is the meaning of the word "traitor"?

One who is a stickler for the Constitution and the laws.

XVII.

What is the meaning of the word "Copperhead"?

A man who believes in the Union as it was, the Constitution as it is, and who cannot be bribed with greenbacks, nor frightened by a bastile. . . .