



The Right of Debate: Considered in Three Letters, Addressed to the Editors of the National Intelligencer (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from The Right of Debate: Considered in Three Letters, Addressed to the Editors of the National Intelligencer Thus, gentlemen, it appears that when you profess to report the proceedings of the House, you hold yourselves at liberty to intersperse them with matters which do not occur at the time in the House. The former opinions or conduct of those opposed to you politically may be introduced for the purpose of weakening their positions, or even for a far inferior purpose - to lower them personally in public estimation by an effort to convict them of personal inconsistency. If you had thought proper to report only what was said on this occasion, you might have better represented my reply to Mr. Stanly, or have noticed my request to the House to allow Mr. Davis to proceed. If the resolution had been read by Mr. Davis, it would have given me the opportunity I desired, of showing what I asserted - that I had never voted for any such resolution as that against which I protested. Since you have thought proper virtually to...

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