



A History of the Struggle for Slavery Extension or Restriction in the United States, from the Declaration of Independence to the Present Day (Classic Reprint)

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