

*Black Reconstruction*



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Dr. W. E. B. DuBois,  
Atlanta University,  
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Dr. DuBois:

The Negro people of the United States - in fact, the colored peoples of the world, owe you a sincere debt of gratitude for your monumental work, "Black Reconstruction." We have long needed a virile pen <sup>such as</sup> ~~like~~ yours to set forth the true facts of Reconstruction. It must be most gratifying to you to read the approving criticisms which are appearing in the Metropolitan newspapers. It will not be easy in the future for so-called historians to smear the Negroes' part in that lamentable period.

Sincerely yours,

*Emmett J. Scott*  
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