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Kerber's beautifully illustrated book makes for a more profound understanding of women's past.--Pauline Maier, *New York Times Book Review*

A foundation text in women's history, *Women of the Republic* fuses innovation with centrality, clarity of style with sophistication of analysis. It demonstrates the centrality of women's history to political history, of Republican Mothers to the world the Founding Fathers thought they built alone.--Carroll Smith-Rosenberg, University of Michigan

This is a book that continues to open vistas to the American Revolution. It is indispensable to understanding the many-sided radicalism and conservatism of the era. My copy is dog-eared and tattered with use.--Alfred Young, Newberry Library

Kerber finds that because men of the revolutionary generation were unable to think of women as equal partners in their political movement, American women had to invent their own ideology. In this elegant and eminently readable intellectual history, she reconstructs that ideology not only from sources written by women, but from law and from a close study of linguistic, literary and pictorial symbols. . . . A major contribution to the history of American ideas.--Gerda Lerner, *Washington Post*

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