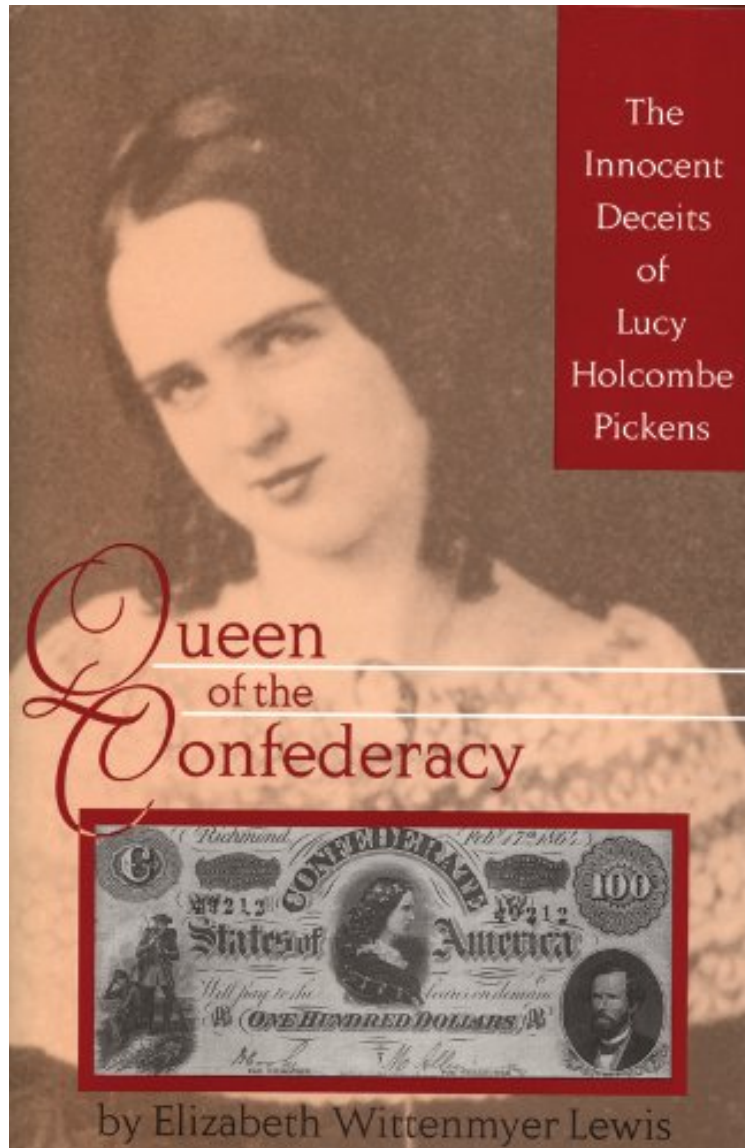


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interesting because Lucy Holcombe Pickens is kin to me. She would be a fourth generation cousin if I am figuring it right. She is the only woman to have her picture on any money, even though it is on Confederate bills. The 1864 one dollar bill and the 100 dollar bill. Her life was very interesting to me, don't know if the book would appeal to others. 2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Especially recommended for American History and biography collections

By Midwest Book Review

Queen of the Confederacy: The Innocent Deceits of Lucy Holcombe Pickens is the aptly researched and enthrallingly presented biography of Lucy Holcombe Pickens (1832-1899), wife of Francis Wilkinson Pickens, the man who became the secessionist governor of South Carolina as America hurtled toward the Civil War. Lucy possessed a strong will, and the determination to aspire to greater heights than those of a typical Southern belle. She urged Pickens to undertake a diplomatic mission to the court of Tsar Alexander II of Russia, and hers was the only female face to appear upon Confederate paper currency. After the Civil War, she struggled with hard times as did many Southerners, yet her regal charm remained of great renown. The saga of a truly extraordinary woman, Queen of the Confederacy is especially recommended for American History and biography collections.

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By T. L. Holcomb

Lucy Holcomb(e) was born into a Southern Family of means. This book covers her life as a spoiled but spirited debutante to a woman who spent years with her husband as America's representatives to the Czar of Russia. But this fantasy life quickly changed as her husband returned to his native South to fight in the Civil War. This book does a good job of delving in to her work for the South that along with her beauty... led to her place on Confederate \$100 bills. I found this a very interesting side view into life in the South before, during and after the Civil War. I recommend it to anyone interested in the Civil War... and also to anyone wanting to discover another strong woman in a time when women were not expected to be active in marriage and definitely not in war.

“Submissiveness is not my role, but certain platitudes on certain occasions are among the innocent deceits of the sex.”

"An excellent book to read if one wants an inside picture of upper crust life in the great war." -- Jerry Turner, Mexia Daily News

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