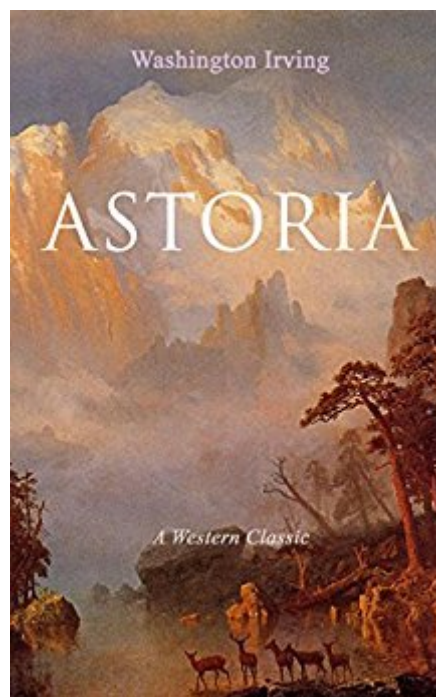


The book was found

ASTORIA (A Western Classic): True Life Tale Of The Dangerous And Daring Enterprise Beyond The Rocky Mountains



Synopsis

This carefully crafted ebook is formatted for your eReader with a functional and detailed table of contents. "Astoria" tells the story of survival and the difficulties faced by the people who undertook the tremendous Oregon Trail in 1810-1812 encountering harsh environment and hostile native Indians and still carrying on with their journeys. This is the founding story of Astoria and the people who made it possible. Excerpt: "Two leading objects of commercial gain have given birth to wide and daring enterprise in the early history of the Americas; the precious metals of the South, and the rich peltries of the North..." Washington Irving (1783-1859) was an American short story writer, essayist, biographer, historian, and diplomat of the early 19th century.

Book Information

File Size: 2508 KB

Print Length: 403 pages

Publisher: e-artnow (April 27, 2017)

Publication Date: April 27, 2017

Sold by: Amazon Digital Services LLC

Language: English

ASIN: B071RRHFLJ

Text-to-Speech: Enabled

X-Ray: Not Enabled

Word Wise: Enabled

Lending: Not Enabled

Screen Reader: Supported

Enhanced Typesetting: Enabled

Best Sellers Rank: #207,493 Paid in Kindle Store (See Top 100 Paid in Kindle Store) #16

in Kindle Store > Books > Teens > Historical Fiction > Exploration & Discovery #34 in Kindle Store >

Kindle eBooks > History > Americas > United States > State & Local > Pacific Northwest #375

in Kindle Store > Kindle eBooks > Teen & Young Adult > Historical Fiction

Customer Reviews

I have read, studied and sometimes breathed this era for 35 years past, and always wondered what this "Astoria" was, mentioned rarely and always with a certain tragic awe. There is reason.

Washington Irving wrote this in the 1830's, utilizing original source materials and undoubtedly interviewing some of those who survived this adventure, by sea and overland. The errors of each of

these parties, including their splinter groups, are not diminished, instead frequently demonstrating the absence of the military discipline that set other more successful expeditions and trapping brigades apart, only to be bested by a certain Captain Fetterman in 1866 and then by a pompous cavalryman 10 years later. This is real history, but much is lacking, such as maps of the routes the parties and splinter groups took, and discussion of materials and equipment, the how's and why's that we so enjoy, and its ending was a bit abrupt (e.g., did these Astoria-Hawaiians make it back to the Sandwich Islands, or settle in the north, as I've heard occurred with others). But, overall, this is an exciting piece of Americana, of terrible tragedy and outrageous success and hardihood, as amazing as the life & treks of Jedediah Smith and his brigades. Washington Irving's language is quaint, but his wit and perceptions often hilarious. This story may be the antithesis of Lewis & Clark's, but is nonetheless a vital component of the exploration of our west and how the native peoples dealt with the first of the whites. Heartedly recommended!

HistoryPublisher: Echo Library326 PagesFootnotes/Endnotes: A fewSuitable for eReaders: Yes4 StarsWritten circa 1835, this book is, quite literally, living history. Unfortunately, the publisher did not list an original publication date, though they published it in 2007. There are no endnotes, and very few footnotes. My biggest complaints were lack of index (which I think could have been added with modern technology) and no maps, hence 4 stars instead of 5. I bought this book primarily as a reference on the life of Marie and Pierre Dorion, and because of the lack of index, I had to read it all. Hmmm, maybe I'm a little glad there was no index. The book was well written, though one must give patience for some of the wordage (Indian women are 'squaws' if mentioned at all, and all Indians are 'savages,' but such was the vernacular of the day). The descriptions of the trip the Hunt party made from St. Louis to Astoria is spectacular in areas. Their trip covered 3500 miles. As the crow flies today, it is 1800 miles. Mr. Hunt led a party of trappers across the continent in 1811 for his boss, John Astor. Hunt made several decisions along the trek, costing lives and time. If you are interested in the history of the opening of the Oregon Territories, the mountain men, the fur trappers and hunters, this book reads more like a well-written novel than a history book. It is an exciting book, about exciting people. One would almost think Irving made the trip. The descriptions of the Natives and how they lived are wonderful. The description of how the French Canadians and Mountain Men dressed is delightful. It would be helpful if this book is ever reprinted to have an editor go through it and tell us what the places mentioned are either called today, or where they are located on today's maps. The Great Falls of the Columbia no longer exist, well, that's not quite true, they do exist, they are just covered by Celilo Lake, made when The Dalles Dam flooded the

Columbia River. (When I was a girl, they were known as Celilo Falls, and I remember not only the falls, but the Indians fishing from them.)

If you like using a magnifying glass to read type font that appears to be size 4, and want your text to look like one long run-on sentence, with tiny paragraph breaks and minimal white space, you will love this edition of the Washington Irving classic. As for me, it isn't worth returning, so I'll recycle it in the waste, and buy a different one.

Good stuff!

Here's is the Astoria story as written by Washington Irving, the great American author of that time. John Jacob Astor hired Irving to live with him and go through all the journals, letters, and manuscripts that had been collected from the Astoria adventure. The writing voice of Irving is wonderful and gives the reader a true feel for the two journeys, one by land and the other by sea (Tonquin.) At one time this was the required history book in the New York school system. Nice for us in modern time, that it has been reissued. After reading Washington Irving's Astoria, read, modern-day Peter Stark's, Astoria: John Jacob Astor and Thomas Jefferson's Lost Pacific Empire -- A Story of -- Wealth, Ambition, and Survival.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

ASTORIA (A Western Classic): True Life Tale of the Dangerous and Daring Enterprise beyond the Rocky Mountains THE WILD MAN OF THE WEST (A Tale of the Rocky Mountains): A Western Classic (From the Renowned Author of The Coral Island, The Pirate City, The Dog Crusoe and His Master & Under the Waves) This Wild Spirit: Women in the Rocky Mountains of Canada (Mountain Cairns: A series on the history and culture of the Canadian Rocky Mountains) Pages of Stone: Geology of Western National Parks and Mounments 1 : Rocky Mountains and Western Great Plains The Balsam Groves of the Grandfather Mountain: A tale of the Western North Carolina Mountains, together with information relating to the section and its ... of altitudes of important mountains, etc Astoria: Astor and Jefferson's Lost Pacific Empire: A Tale of Ambition and Survival on the Early American Frontier The Historical Works of Washington Irving: Life of George Washington, The Adventures of Captain Bonneville, Astoria, Chronicle of the Conquest of Granada, Life of Oliver Goldsmith Entebbe: The Most Daring Raid of Israel's Special Forces (Most Daring Raids in History) Field Book of Western Wild Flowers: The Ultimate Guide to Flowers Growing West of the Rocky Mountains The High Mountains of Crete: The White Mountains, Psiloritis and Lassithi Mountains

(Cicerone Guides) True Ghost Stories And Hauntings: Eerie True Paranormal Hauntings, Unexplained Phenomena And Disturbing True Ghost Stories (True Ghost Stories, Bizarre True Stories,) 10 Classic Hikes around the Town of Banff in the Canadian Rocky Mountains: The Greatest Hikes on Earth Series Rails Over the Mountains: Exploring the Railway Heritage of Canada's Western Mountains Mountains Beyond Mountains Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, a Man Who Would Cure the World (Random House Reader's Circle) Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, a Man Who Would Cure the World [Adapted for Young People] Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, a Man Who Would Cure the World Mountains Beyond Mountains: Healing the World: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer Mountains Beyond Mountains (Adapted for Young People): The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, A Man Who Would Cure the World Astoria: John Jacob Astor and Thomas Jefferson's Lost Pacific Empire: A Story of Wealth, Ambition, and Survival

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)