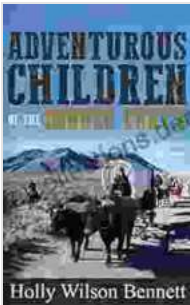


The Adventurous Children of the Donner Party: A Story of Courage and Tragedy



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The Donner Party was a group of American pioneers who traveled to California in 1846. Their journey was fraught with hardship and tragedy, and many of the adults died along the way. However, the children of the Donner Party showed incredible courage and resilience, and many of them survived the ordeal.

The Donner Party was led by James Reed, a farmer from Illinois. The party consisted of 87 people, including 23 children. They set out from Independence, Missouri, in May of 1846. The journey was long and difficult, and the party soon began to experience setbacks. They were delayed by

bad weather, and they ran out of food. The adults began to die, and the children were left to fend for themselves.

The children of the Donner Party showed incredible courage and resilience during this difficult time. They hunted for food, gathered firewood, and took care of the younger children. They also helped to bury the dead. Many of the children died along the way, but the survivors eventually reached California in 1847.

The story of the Donner Party is a tragic one, but it is also a story of courage and hope. The children of the Donner Party showed incredible strength and resilience in the face of adversity. They are an inspiration to us all.

The Children of the Donner Party

- **Virginia Reed** was 13 years old when she set out on the journey with her family. She was a strong and independent girl, and she quickly became a leader among the children. She helped to gather food, take care of the younger children, and bury the dead. Virginia survived the ordeal and eventually married and had children of her own.
- **James Reed** was 11 years old when he set out on the journey with his family. He was a shy and sensitive boy, but he was also very brave. He helped to hunt for food and gather firewood. James survived the ordeal and eventually became a farmer and rancher.
- **Margaret Reed** was 9 years old when she set out on the journey with her family. She was a sweet and gentle girl, and she was always willing to help others. She helped to take care of the younger children

and bury the dead. Margaret died along the way, but her memory lives on.

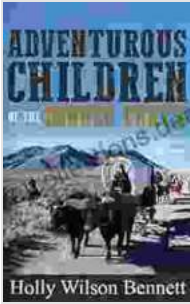
- **Eliza Reed** was 7 years old when she set out on the journey with her family. She was a playful and energetic girl, and she loved to sing and dance. Eliza survived the ordeal and eventually married and had children of her own.
- **Frances Donner** was 6 years old when she set out on the journey with her family. She was a quiet and shy girl, but she was also very brave. She helped to gather food and take care of the younger children. Frances survived the ordeal and eventually married and had children of her own.

The Tragedy of the Donner Party

The Donner Party suffered greatly during their journey to California. They were delayed by bad weather, and they ran out of food. The adults began to die, and the children were left to fend for themselves. Many of the children died along the way, and the survivors eventually reached California in 1847.

The Donner Party tragedy is a reminder of the dangers that pioneers faced in the 19th century. It is also a story of courage and hope. The children of the Donner Party showed incredible strength and resilience in the face of adversity. They are an inspiration to us all.

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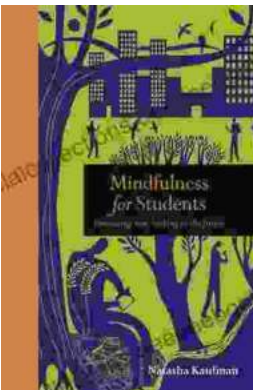


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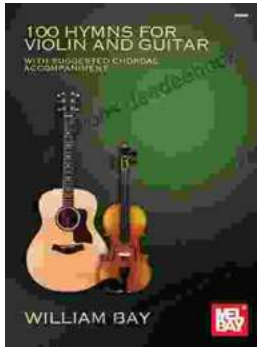
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