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The story of the Mormon Trail and the migration of Mormons to their new settlement at Salt Lake City. Some may say Doc was just an old man on a long walk, but it was a walk that forever changed his life. He lived experiences you may not believe, and had conversations you may not be ready for. Only you can open that door, when you're ready. If you find something in this book that changes your life, you are not alone. Doc Cleland is a man who lost his childhood to an abusive, alcoholic stepfather; his wife to Lou Gehrig's disease; his job, home, and savings to the economic downturn; and 4 of his 5 children to paths that stray from his Mormon roots and lifestyle. Seemingly a man who has also lost his path in life, Doc decides to honor his great-grandmother's memory by re-creating her pioneering handcart journey of 1856. He begins walking in Iowa City, pulling a wooden handcart, heading west on his 1400-mile journey, uncertain of exactly what he'll encounter along the way. Sarah Goode Marshall was the first Mormon handcart pioneer to reach the Salt Lake Valley, a 34-year-old widow with 6 young children and a powerful commitment to her newly found faith. A woman who left in England her family, her home, and everything she knew, Sarah's story has lived only in family journals and lore for the past 5 generations until Doc brings her to life by connecting with her indomitable spirit during his trek. Join Sarah as she discovers the faith that is true for her, withstands the abuse her husband piles upon her, and finally leaves her home in England to answer the call to Zion. Her husband, who dies after mishandling an attempt to poison Sarah, lies buried in English soil while her siblings chastise her for daring to consider leaving their homeland; neither is enough to stop Sarah from following her heart. She and her children travel by ship, train, and finally by foot and handcart in their journey to reach the Great Salt Lake Basin. Though their company is plagued by exhaustion, inadequate nutrition, terrifying storms, savages and death, an indomitable spirit travels with them and seems to leave traces behind, just waiting to be discovered by the next travelers. While Doc experiences physical ailments that land him in a hospital and near-constant mental struggles due to his exhaustion, he engages the reader with his gritty determination to understand his ancestor's journey, his jaunty commitment to his task, and his humble acceptance of what eventually transpires: a spiritual gratification unlike any he's ever known. Although Doc walks alone, his encounters along the way expand his experience to an understanding of humanity in its many and varied forms, from the Schwan's delivery man who drives ice cream out to him, to the Civil War Re-enactment buff who gives up a day to drive behind and protect him, to the women who spend their days rescuing birds from sludge ponds and share their stories with him. In Faith Greater Than Pain, Sarah Goode Marshall's story anchors Doc's modern-day journey, as each—separated by a century and a half—walks toward Zion, all the while discovering a second Zion within. Collection of papers from the Iowa Mormon Trail Symposium held May 3-4, 1996 in Des Moines, Iowa. Examines the history of the Mormon Trail in Iowa, with special focus on topics such as Mormon women, the hardships of the Nauvoo Poor Camps, the social life and entertainment of the travelers, the temporary way stations of Garden Grove, Mt. Pisgah, and Kaneshville, and the Mormon Battalion. How biology influenced the survival of emigrants facing cold and starvation on the western trail "Between the mid 1840s and late 1860s, around 5,000 Welsh people, inspired by the Mormon faith, ventured to start a new life in the United States...seeking their holy city in the West..."--back cover. Joining the ranks of emigrants responding to Brigham Young's edict to move to Salt Lake City with two-wheeled handcarts as their only mode of travel, four women share a grueling journey of survival that tests the bonds of their friendship and faith. By the author of *The Bride's House*. Collection of personal accounts by Mormon pioneers describing their experiences along the Iowa and Mormon Trails. Appendix includes biographical sketches. From the bestselling author of the Ender Universe series comes Orson Scott Card's epic historical novel *Saints* When ten-year-old Dinah Kirkham saw her father leave their Manchester home in the middle of the night, she basked when he would be back. "Soon," he replied. But he never came back. On that night in 1829, John Kirkham laid the foundation of his daughter's certainty that the only person Dinah could ever really trust was herself. From that day forward, Dinah worked to support her family, remaining devoted to their welfare even in the face of despair and grinding poverty. Then one day she heard a new message, a new purpose ignited in her heart, and new life opened up before her. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. Pulitzer Prize-winning author Wallace Stegner tells about a thousand-mile migration marked by hardship and sudden death—but unique in American history for its purpose, discipline, and solidarity. Other Bison Books by Wallace Stegner include *Mormon Country*, *Recapitulation*, *Second Growth*, and *Women on the Wall*. SUB TITLE: True Stories of Young Pioneers on the Mormon Trail In 1856 the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints employed a new means of getting converts to Great Salt Lake City who could not afford the journey otherwise. They began using handcarts, thus initiating a five-year experiment that has become a legend in the annals of Mormon and North American migration. Only one in ten Mormon emigrants used handcarts, but of those 3,000 who did between 1856 and 1860, most survived the harrowing journey to settle Utah and become members of a remarkable pioneer generation. Others were not so lucky. More than 200 died along the way, victims of exhaustion, accident, and, for a few, starvation and exposure to late-season Wyoming blizzards. Now, Candy Moulton tells of their successes, travails, and tragedies in an epic retelling of a legendary story. The Mormon Handcart Migration traces each stage of the journey, from the transatlantic voyage of newly converted church members to the gathering of the faithful in the eastern Nebraska encampment known as Winter Quarters. She then traces their trek from the western Great Plains, across modern-day Wyoming, to their final destination at Great Salt Lake. The handcart experiment was the brainchild of Mormon leader Brigham Young, who decreed that the saints could haul their own possessions, pushing or pulling two-wheeled carts across 1,100 miles of rough terrain, much of it roadless and some of it untrodden. The LDS church now embraces the saga of the handcart emigrants—including even the disaster that befell the Martin and Willie handcart companies in central Wyoming in 1856—as an educational, faith-inspiring experience for thousands of youth each year. Moulton skillfully weaves together scores of firsthand accounts from the journals, letters, diaries, reminiscences, and autobiographies the handcart pioneers left behind. Depth of research and unprecedented detail make this volume an essential history of the Mormon handcart migration. A study report on the Mormon Trail. This is the true story of John Young Nelson, an early American frontiersman, military scout, interpreter, guide, police chief, and saloon owner. Born in Virginia in 1826, Nelson ran away from home as a young teenager to escape a domineering father and to seek adventure in the west. He took odd jobs along the way working on farms, serving as a cabin boy on a Mississippi steamer, and becoming an apprentice with a group of traders traveling west from Missouri. After meeting a band of Sioux, he decided that the nomadic life of an Indian was the adventure he was looking for and got himself adopted into the tribe. Here he learned how to live off the land and acquired the skills of a Sioux warrior. His adopted father was the Chief Spotted Tail and his brother-in-law was Red Cloud—Chief of

the Sioux Nation. As a young Sioux brave, Nelson participated in Indian raids and skirmishes. Later, he guided Brigham Young and the first group of Mormon pioneers into the Salt Lake Valley in 1847, worked as a military scout with William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill), fought in the Indian Wars, and served as a lawman in North Dakota. In his many escapades he often narrowly escaped death from bullets, arrows, and knives. Nelson's story is a fascinating view of the early American west in all its glory. Was in most ways similar to that of other emigrants, the religious motivations, tight organization, and family groups of the Mormons gave their migration a distinct character. William Hill introduces the Mormons, their eventful early history, and the characteristics of the migration west. His book also includes a chronology of trail-related events, excerpts from diaries and guidebooks, songs, historical maps, over 200 then and now illustrations, descriptions of major. Part history, part resource book, part guide, and part photographic essay, *The Mormon Trail Yesterday and Today* is an essential reference for readers of all ages who are interested in the Mormon trek west. In conjunction with the sesquicentennial of one of the most dramatic migrations in American history, William E. Hill now applies his expertise to the Mormon migration. Driven from their home in Nauvoo, Illinois, Mormons, under the leadership of Brigham Young, began in 1846 their journey west to an expected haven in the Great Salt Lake Valley. The first party arrived there in July 1847. Thousands of members and converts later followed the Mormon Trail, which for much of its way traced the route of the Oregon Trail, although it generally stayed across the Platte River from the more-traveled way. It was thus, until the railroad's arrival in 1869, one of the West's most important and heavily used roads. Although the Mormons' experience was in most ways similar to that of other emigrants, the religious motivations, tight organization, and family groups of the Mormons gave their migration a distinct character. William Hill introduces the Mormons, their eventful early history, and the characteristics of the migration west. His book also includes a chronology of trail-related events, excerpts from diaries and guidebooks, songs, historical maps, over 200 then and now illustrations, descriptions of major museums and displays on the trail, and recommendations for further reading. First published in 1962, David E. Miller's award-winning work on the Hole-in-the-Rock episode was arguably his greatest achievement as a historian. One of the great set-pieces of Mormon history, the San Juan Mission had become clouded by myth and hagiography when Miller first became attracted to its study in the 1950s, and few reliable sources were at that time available. Not content with exhausting archival material, Miller contacted all locatable descendants of the members of the original party, and thereby brought to light a great number of previously unexploited sources. The Hole-in-the-Rock study achieved additional depth from his intimate knowledge of the actual trail acquired on repeated traverses by Jeep and on foot. A member of the LDS Church, Miller wrote of the Mormons with sympathy and understanding, but with a commitment as well to the critical standards of the historical profession. A must-read for anyone interested in American History. It is unparalleled in history, the procession of Latter-Day Saints pushing handcarts from Iowa City and Florence (Omaha) to their promised Zion by the Great Salt Lake. Many of the three thousand hardy souls who trudged across thirteen hundred miles of prairie, desert, and mountain from 1856 to 1860 were European converts to the Mormon faith. Without funds for wagons and oxen, they carried their possessions in two-wheeled carts powered and aided by their own muscle and blood. Some of the weary travelers would finally be welcomed by their brethren in Salt Lake City; others would go to wayside graves or get caught in early winter storms in the Rockies and hope to be rescued by the parties sent out by Brigham Young. The migration is described in *Handcarts to Zion*, which draws on diaries and reports of the participants, rosters of the ten companies, and a collection of the songs sung on the trail and at "The Gathering." LeRoy R. Hafen and Ann W. Hafen dedicated the book to his mother, Mary Ann Hafen, who wrote about the long journey in *Recollections of a Handcart Pioneer of 1860: A Woman's Life on the Mormon Frontier*, also a Bison Book. Explores the founding of the Latter-Day Saints by Joseph Smith, their persecution, the migration west led by Brigham Young, the church's legacy, and its present role in society. Utah's Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area offers breathtaking natural resources, powerful historical drama and intriguing cultural traditions. This rich legacy is built on old-world values of cooperation, industry, ingenuity and true grit--as well as a miracle or two. From frontier justice and lost treasure to the lasting contributions of a Presbyterian minister and a Jewish settlement, talented regional historians, educators and storytellers bring to life these legends, lore and true tales from the heart of Mormon country. A groundbreaking and entertaining look at the food and drink of the earliest Mormon pioneers This art book accompanies an art exhibition of the same name at the Church History Museum, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Salt Lake City. The book features dozens of paintings by three Mormon painters, John Burton, Josh Clare, and Bryan Mark Taylor, who traveled and painted the Mormon Trail landscape. Each painting is paired with pioneer journal entries. The book gives written and visual context to the pioneers' experience of the trail, bears witness to the land as it exists today, and links the historic experience of pioneers to the challenges of today. This fascinating storybook illustrates how more than 25,000 children took part in the legendary exodus from Nauvoo, Illinois, to the Salt Lake Valley. Beautiful full-color artwork depicts a variety of scenes in the 1,300-mile journey, from the dangers of crossing rivers to the challenges of ordinary tasks like laundry. The engaging text details everything from equipment and animals used on the trek to games the children played, songs they sang, and prayers they offered. Discussion questions and a glossary of key words encourage family learning and discussion as readers relive this historic, faith-driven journey—and discover how children participated every step of the way. Describes how the author, driven by spiritual conviction and the example of her ancestors, embarked on an odyssey of exploring her Mormon roots, following a trail aboard her motorcycle through the nation's heartland to Salt Lake City, visiting graveyards, conversing with missionaries, and reflecting on the mores and rituals of a faith she had abandoned as a teenager. 15,000 first printing. Beginning with their expulsion from Nauvoo in 1846 and for the succeeding twenty-two years, the migration of Mormon pioneers some 70,000 of them was a compelling saga of the settlement of the American West. Mostly poor, they traveled on ships, canal The Mormon handcart tragedy of 1856 is the worst disaster in the history of the Western migrations, and yet it remains virtually unknown today outside Mormon circles. Following the death of Joseph Smith, founder of the Mormon church, its second Prophet and new leader, Brigham Young, determined to move the faithful out of the Midwest, where they had been constantly persecuted by their neighbors, to found a new Zion in the wilderness. In 1846-47, the Mormons made their way west, generally following the Oregon Trail, arriving in July 1847 in what is today Utah, where they established Salt Lake City. Nine years later, fearing a federal invasion, Young and other Mormon leaders wrestled with the question of how to bring thousands of impoverished European converts, mostly British and Scandinavian, from the Old World to Zion. Young conceived of a plan in which the European Mormons would travel by ship to New York City and by train to Iowa City. From there, instead of crossing the plains by covered wagon, they would push and pull wooden handcarts all the way to Salt Lake. But the handcart plan was badly flawed. The carts, made of green wood, constantly broke down; the baggage allowance of seventeen pounds per adult was far too small; and the food provisions were woefully inadequate, especially considering the demanding physical labor of pushing and pulling the handcarts 1,300 miles across plains and mountains. Five companies of handcart pioneers left Iowa for Zion that spring and summer, but the last two of them left late. As a consequence, some 900 Mormons in these two companies were caught in early snowstorms in Wyoming. When the church leadership in Salt Lake became aware of the dire circumstances of these pioneers, Young launched a heroic rescue effort. But for more than 200 of the immigrants, the rescue came too late. The story of the Mormon handcart tragedy has never before been told in full despite its stunning human drama: At least five times as many people died in the Mormon tragedy as died in the more famous Donner Party disaster. David Roberts has researched this story in Mormon archives and elsewhere, and has traveled along the route where the handcart pioneers came to grief. Based on his research, he concludes that the tragedy was entirely preventable. Brigham Young and others in the Mormon leadership failed to heed the abundant signs of impending catastrophe, including warnings from other Mormon elders in the East and Midwest, where the journey began. *Devil's Gate* is a powerful indictment of the Mormon leadership and a gripping story of survival and suffering that is superbly told by one of our finest writers of Western history. A guide to the trail blazed by Utah pioneers answering the call of the LDS Church to pull up stakes and move to the distant San Juan country of southeastern Utah, an extraordinary year-long journey across the rugged frontier of the southwest. Traces the tragedy-marked 1856 journey of three thousand Mormons from Iowa to Utah, explaining how leader Brigham Young disregarded warnings and then convinced his followers that hardships and deaths were part of a higher plan. The story of the Mormon Trail and the migration of Mormons to their new settlement at Salt Lake City. From its beginning in 1846, this 22-year-long Mormon exodus from Illinois to the final promised land is one of the most extraordinary chapters in the history of the American West.

Describes why Brigham Young, an important Mormon leader, led thousands of Mormons over one thousand miles to a spot deep within the Rocky Mountains. THE MORMON PIONEER TRAIL guide is provided for modern-day travelers who are making their own rediscovery of the Mormon Pioneer Trail and the wagon trains and handcart companies that journeyed along that trail. The guide is dedicated to the thousands who followed the pioneer trail west into the Valley of the Great Salt Lake and their Zion in the wilderness--and to those who were laid to rest along the way. This book is the story of what may be the last big wagon train to travel the old Mormon Trail from beginning to end. It captures the feelings of both the 1847 and the 1997 treks. Follow the fascinating true stories of one family through the Mormon pioneer era—stories that follow four generations and several of the author's family lines as they and their fellow pioneers help shape the early history of the Mormon Church, the American West, and even Mexico. This memorable journey is the culmination of fifteen years of painstaking research as the author carefully reconstructs the pioneer struggles from before 1830 to 1918 using information from family journals, memoirs, histories and letters. Volume II (Pioneering the West/Defending Zion, 1847-1880) continues the history by recounting the family's involvement in the opening and colonization of the Great Basin. It recounts in detail the dangerous crossing of the plains in covered wagons, with handcarts, and on foot. It tells of explorations, of planting tiny settlements in remote regions, eating roots and rawhide to survive, and fighting insect hordes and hostile Indians. Volume II also tells how the Mormons faced off the U.S. Army, and how they helped build the railroad across the plains. My Own Pioneers is an important work illuminating the legacy of the Mormon pioneers. It is a compilation of true chronological accounts through which their lives, their sacrifices, and their considerable accomplishments, despite terrible hardship, may be honored. With its extensive index, this book provides an excellent research tool for academics as well as history enthusiasts; and it uplifts every reader by showcasing the enduring strength and mighty faith of these pioneers.

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