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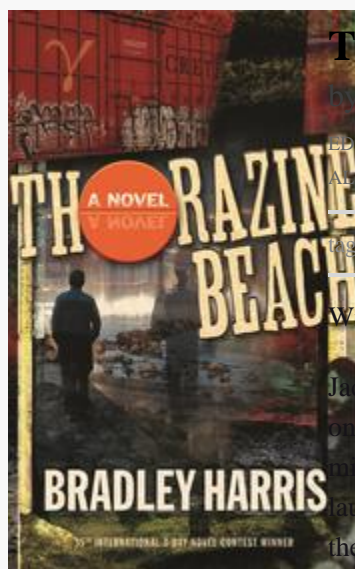
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### **Thorazine Beach**

by Bradley Harris

EDITION: eBook

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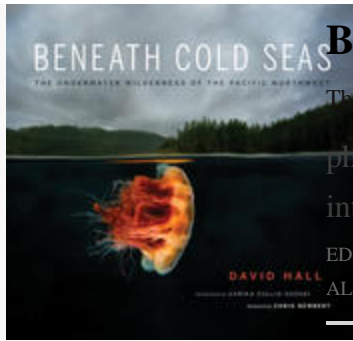
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Winner, 35th International 3-Day Novel Contest

Jack Minyard is a private eye down on his luck. He's badly overweight and on the wrong side of sixty. He's lost his marriage, and maybe a little of his mind, too. After narrowly escaping charges in a statewide fraud and money laundering scandal, Jack has been working private contracts and counting on the kindness of strangers (not to mention a pile of prescription drugs) to get by. In a last-ditch play to resurrect his career, Jack takes on a ca ...

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## Beneath Cold Seas

The Underwater Wilderness of the Pacific Northwest

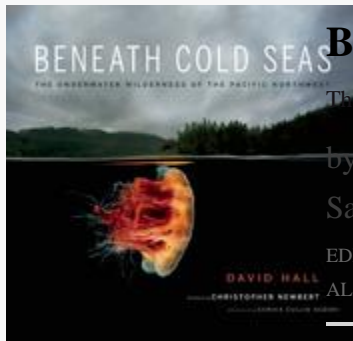
photographs by David Hall, foreword by Christopher Newbert,  
introduction by Sarika Cullis-Suzuki

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: Hardcover eBook

tagged : plants & animals, photojournalism

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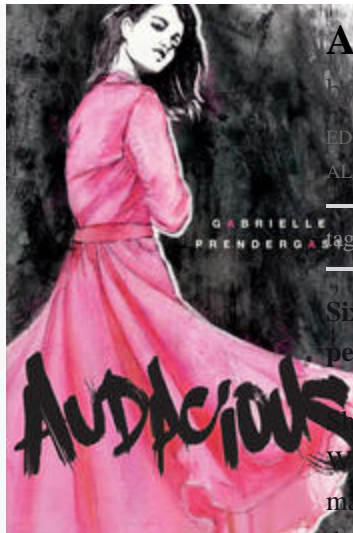
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tagged : regional, plants & animals, oceans & seas

Breathtaking photographs and text by award-winning photographer **David Hall** capture the magnificent marine life of North America's West Coast.

The Pacific Coast of North America features the most diverse and visually spectacular marine life of any temperate or cold-water ecosystem on the planet. From tiny, candy-striped shrimp to the giant Pacific octopus, from alabaster nudibranchs, luminous moon jellyfish, orchid sea stars, and wolf-eels to Steller sea lions, white-sided dolphins, and so much mo ...

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## Audacious

by Gabrielle Prendergast

EDITION: Paperback

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tagged : novels in verse, art, emotions & feelings

**Sixteen-year-old Raphaëlle says the wrong thing, antagonizes the wrong people and has the wrong attitude.**

She can't do anything right except draw, but she draws the wrong pictures. When her father moves the family to a small prairie city, Raphaëlle wants to make a new start. Reborn as "Ella," she tries to fit in at her new school. She's drawn to Samir, a Muslim boy in her art class, and expresses her confused feelings in explicit art. When a classmate texts a photo of Ella's art to a younger frie ...

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## Alpine Warriors

by Bernadette McDonald

EDITION: Hardcover

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tagged : mountaineering, baltic states, adventurers & explorers

**Winner of the 2015 Banff Mountain Film and Book Festival award for Mountaineering History**

After the Second World War a period of relative calm began in Josip Broz Tito's Yugoslavia. During the next thirty years citizens could travel freely if they had the money. Most did not, but alpinists did.

Through elaborate training régimes and state-supported expeditions abroad, Yugoslavian alpinists began making impressive climbs in the Himalaya as early as 1960. By the '70s, they were ascending the ...

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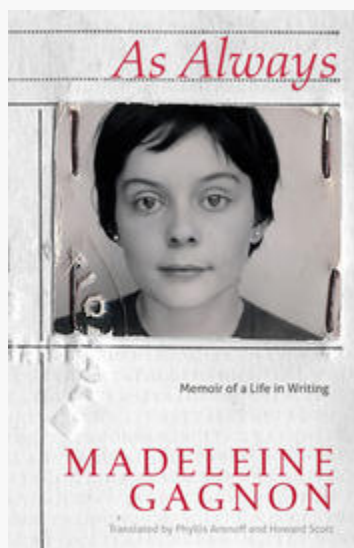
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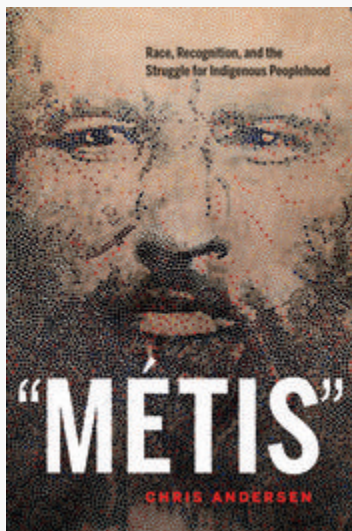
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# “Métis”

Race, Recognition, and the Struggle for Indigenous Peoplehood

by Chris Andersen

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tagged : native american studies, discrimination & race relations

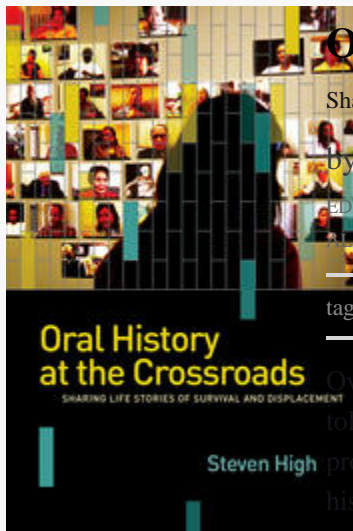
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Ask any Canadian what “Métis” means, and they will likely say “mixed race.” Canadians consider Métis mixed in ways that other indigenous people are not, and the census and courts have premised their recognition of Métis status on this race-based understanding.

According to Andersen, Canada got it wrong. Our very preoccupation with mixedness is not natural but stems from more than 150 years of sustained labour on the part of the state and others. From its roots deep in the colonial pas ...

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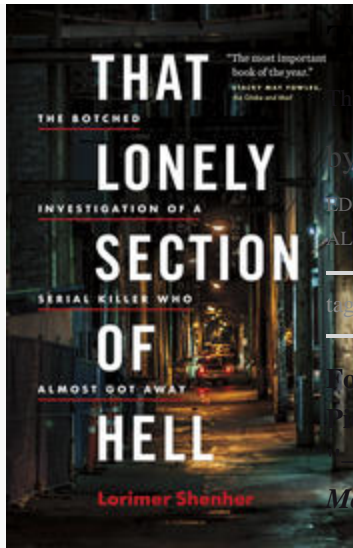
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## That Lonely Section of Hell

The Botched Investigation of a Serial Killer Who Almost Got Away

by Lorimer Shenher

EDITION: Paperback

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tagged : serial killers, law enforcement, prostitution & sex trade

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Former police detective Lorimer Shenher's "inside account of the Peckton serial murders is both a horrifying and compelling read.

—Peter Vronsky, author of *Serial Killers: The Method and Madness of Monsters*

In this searing personal account, ex-police detective Lori Shenher (who transitioned to in 2015, and is now known as Lorimer) describes his role in Vancouver's infamous Missing Women Investigation and unflinchingly reveals his years-long struggle with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder as a r ...

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## Becoming Lin

by Tricia Dower

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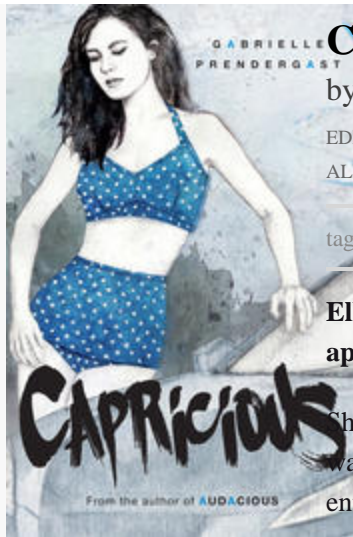
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It's 1965. Twenty-two-year-old Linda Wise despairs of escaping her overprotective parents and her hometown, where far too many know she was sexually assaulted as a teenager. Deliverance arrives in the form of marriage to the charismatic, twenty-six-year-old Ronald Brunson, a newly ordained Methodist minister who ignites her passion for social justice. Ron tells her war and racial discrimination are symptoms of the "moral rot" destroying the country, conjuring up something dark and rancid in her ...

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## Capricious

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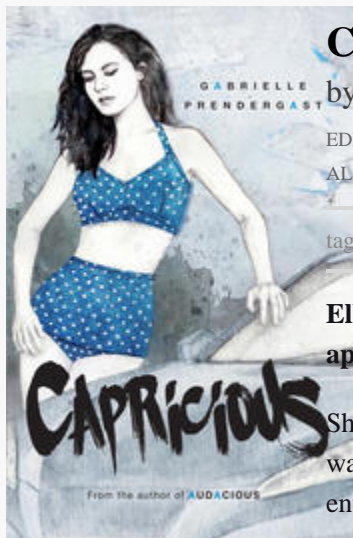
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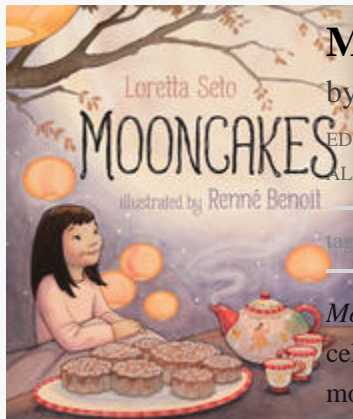
ALSO AVAILABLE: Audiobook Hardcover eBook

targeted : asian

**The lyrical story of a young girl who shares the special celebration of the Chinese Moon Festival with her parents.**

As they eat mooncakes, drink tea and watch the night sky together, Mama and Baba tell ancient tales of a magical tree that can never be cut down, the Jade Rabbit who came to live on the moon and one brave woman's journey to eternal life. With a gentle focus on the importance of family, *Mooncakes* is both a perfect book for parent and child to read together and an ideal choice for sch ...

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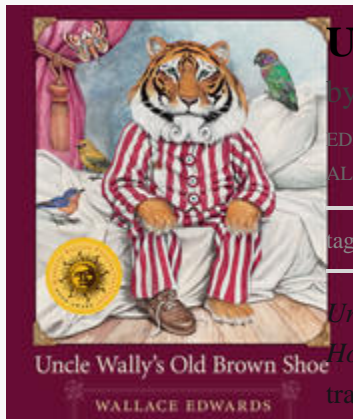
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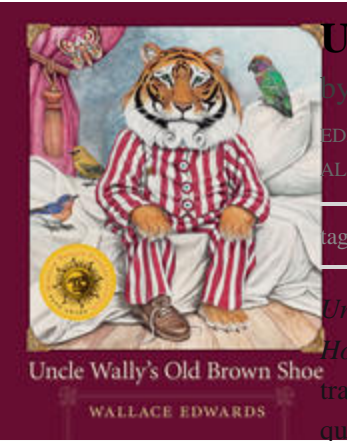
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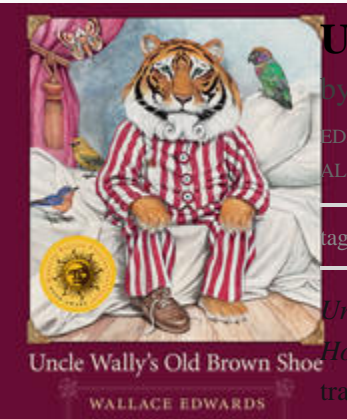
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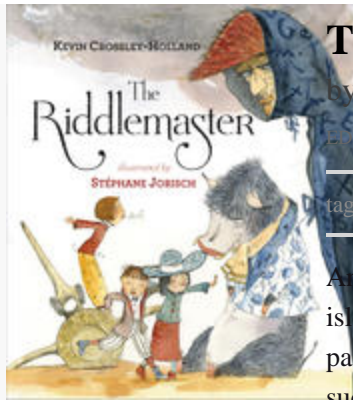
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## The Riddlemaster

by Kevin Crossley-Holland, illustrated by Stéphane Jorisch

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tagged : imagination & play

Anouk, Ben and Cara dream of a fabulous treasure buried on the golden island across the harbor. A mysterious and grizzled old man offers them passage on his boat, but only if they can solve seven vexing riddles. If they succeed, a strange and magical prize awaits them.

Enchanting illustrations by Stéphane Jorisch illuminate this story by one of Britain's best-loved children's authors.

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## Cretacea

and Other Stories from the Badlands

by Martin West

EDITION: eBook

tagged : short stories (single author)

Montaigne Medal Finalist (Eric Hoffer Awards). Winner of a gold IPPY.

The stories in *Cretacea and Other Stories from the Badlands* mostly take place in hot weather, where dust and sweat envelop everyone and everything. A teenage boy spends a summer with his hard-livin', hard-drinkin', messed up uncle and has to fight for a position in his new, temporary "family." A recent widower gets swept up in the world of the local swingers' scene. A band of misfits struggles to survive at a makeshift ...

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## The Heaviness of Things That Float

A Novel

by Jennifer Manuel

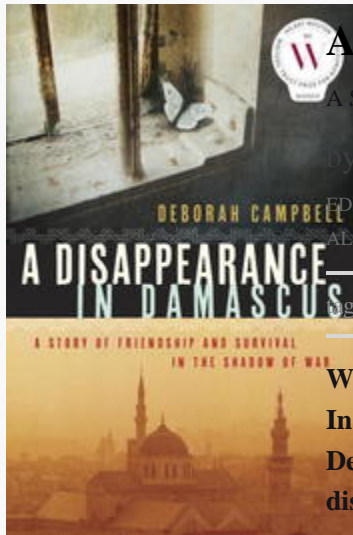
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tagged : literary

Jennifer Manuel skilfully depicts the lonely world of Bernadette, a woman who has spent the last forty years living alone on the periphery of a remote West Coast First Nations reserve, serving as a nurse for the community. This is a place where truth and myth are deeply intertwined and stories are "like organisms all their own, life upon life, the way moss grows around poplar trunks and barnacles atop crab shells, the way golden chanterelles spring from hemlock needles. They spread in the cove w ...

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## A Disappearance in Damascus

A Story of Friendship and Survival in the Shadow of War

by Deborah Campbell

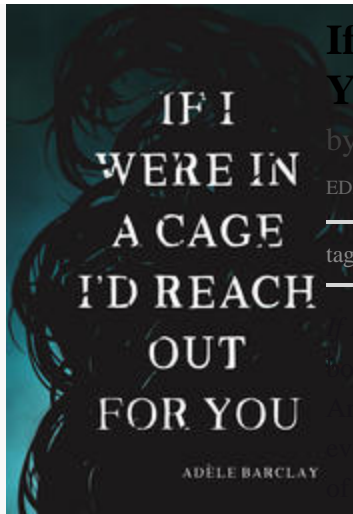
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tagged : personal memoirs, editors, journalists, publishers

**Winner of the Hilary Weston Writers' Trust Prize for Non-Fiction:**  
**In the midst of an unfolding international crisis, the renowned journalist Deborah Campbell finds herself swept up in the mysterious disappearance of Ahlam, her guide, "fixer," and friend. Her frank, personal account of her journey to rescue her, and the triumph of friendship and courage over terrorism, is as riveting as it is illuminating.**  
The story begins in 2007 when Deborah Campbell travels undercover to Damascus to report o ...





## If I Were in a Cage I'd Reach Out for You

by Adèle Barclay

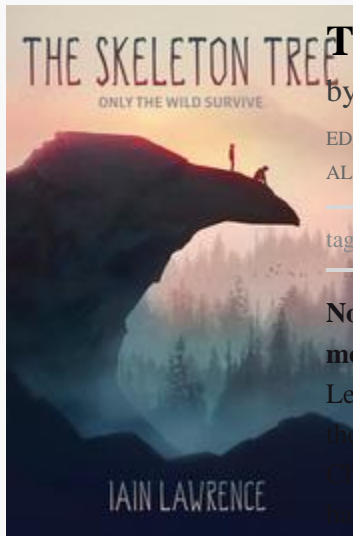
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tagged : canadian, women authors

*Were in a Cage I'd Reach Out for You* is a collection that travels through time and place, liminally occupying the chasm between Canadiana and Americana mythologies. These poems dwell in surreal pockets of the everyday warped landscapes of modern cities and flood into the murky basin of the intimate.

Amidst the comings and goings, there's a sincere desire to connect to others, an essential need to reach out, to redraft the narratives that make kinship radical and near. These poems are l ...

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## The Skeleton Tree

by Iain Lawrence

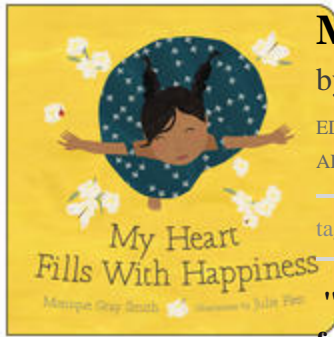
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**Now in paperback! This stark and commercial survival story is a modern-day *Hatchet*.**

Less than 48 hours after twelve-year-old Chris casts off on a trip to sail down the Alaskan coast with his uncle, their boat sinks. The only survivors are Chris and a boy named Frank, who hates Chris immediately. Chris and Frank have no radio, no flares, no food. Suddenly, they've got to find a way to forage, fish and scavenge supplies from the shore. Chris likes the company of a curious friendly raven more than ...



## My Heart Fills With Happiness

by Monique Gray Smith, illustrated by Julie Flett

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tagged : emotions & feelings, native canadian

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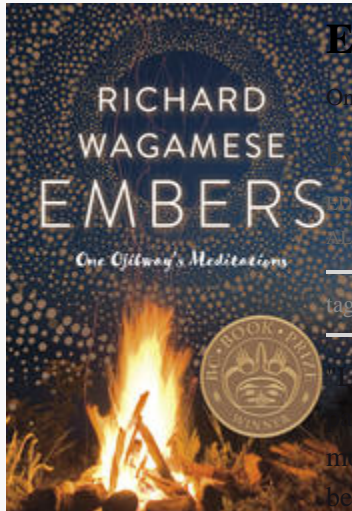
**"A quiet loveliness, sense of gratitude, and—yes—happiness emanate from this tender celebration of simple pleasures."—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review**

**"Will leave the youngest readers gladly imagining what fills their own hearts with joy."—*The New York Times***

The sun on your face. The smell of warm bannock baking in the oven. Holding the hand of someone you love. What fills your heart with happiness? This beautiful board book, with illustrations from celebrated artist Julie Flett, ...

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## Embers

One Ojibway's Meditations

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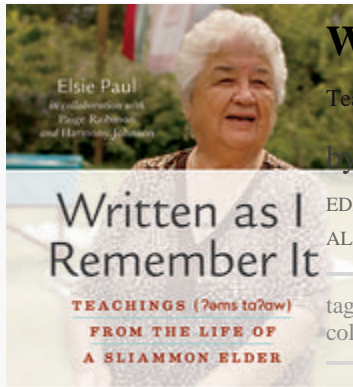
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Life sometimes is hard. There are challenges. There are difficulties. There is pain. As a younger man I sought to avoid them and only ever caused myself more of the same. These days I choose to face life head on--and I have become a comet. I arc across the sky of my life and the harder times are the friction that lets the worn and tired bits drop away. It's a good way to travel; eventually I will wear away all resistance until all there is left of me is light. I can live towards that end."

--Ric ...

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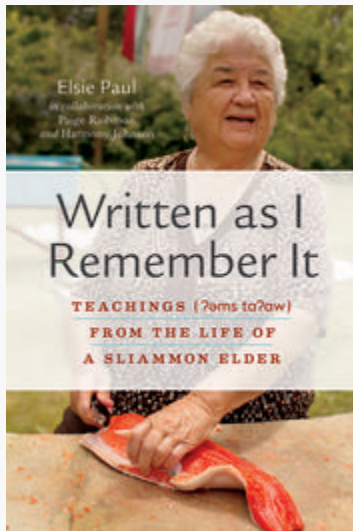
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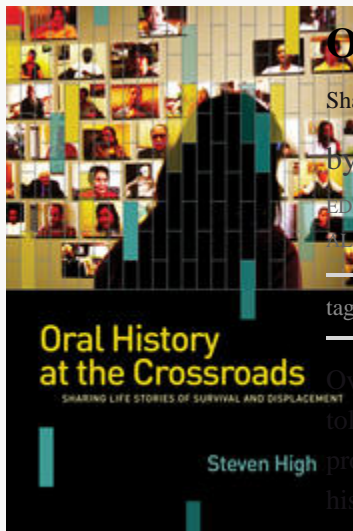
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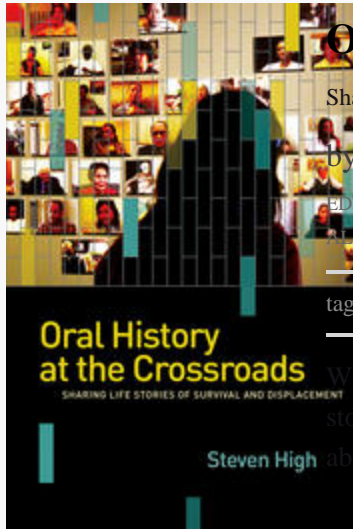
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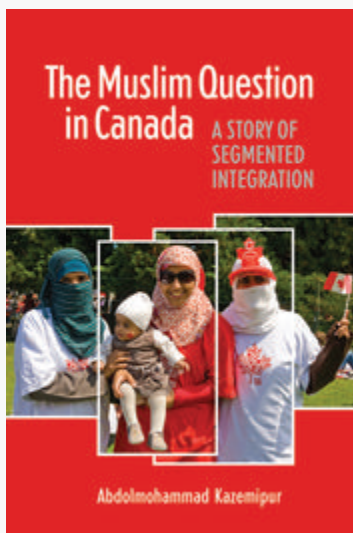
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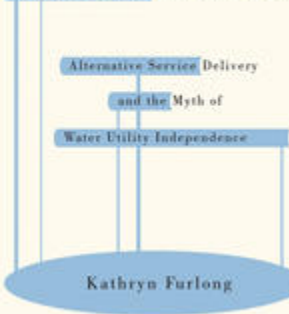
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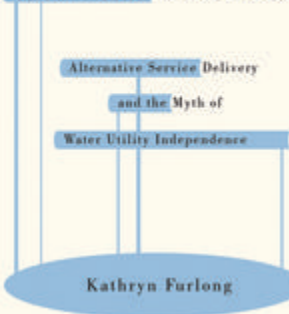
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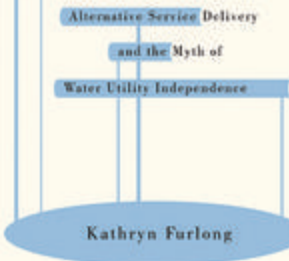
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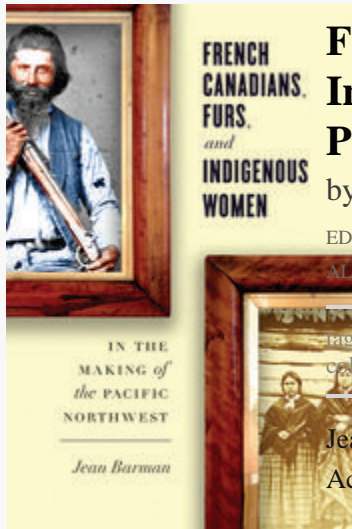
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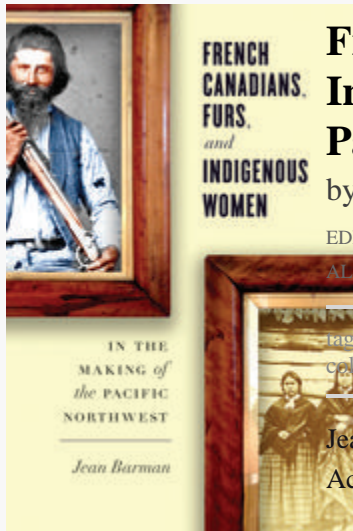
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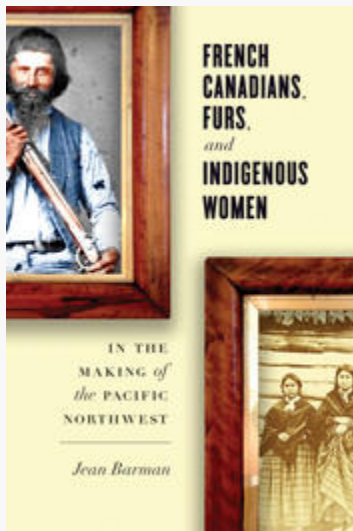
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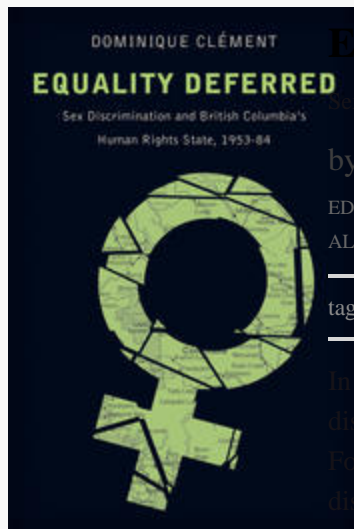
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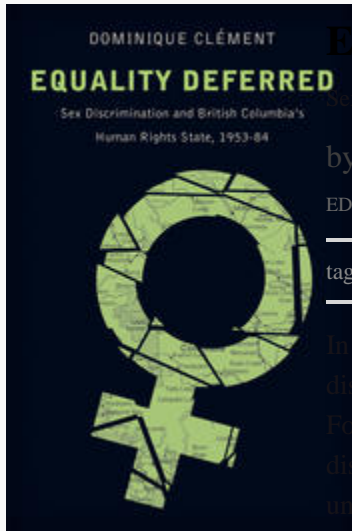
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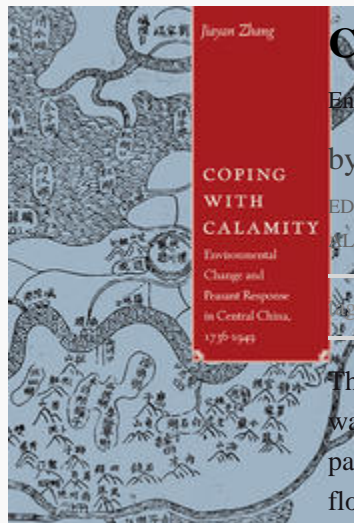
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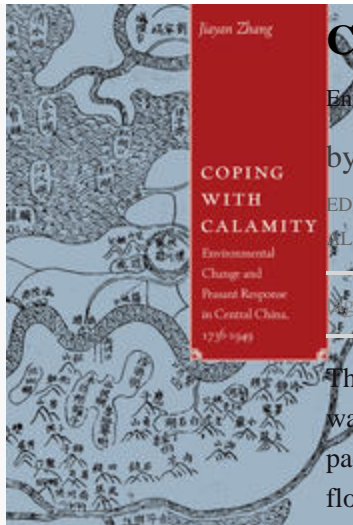
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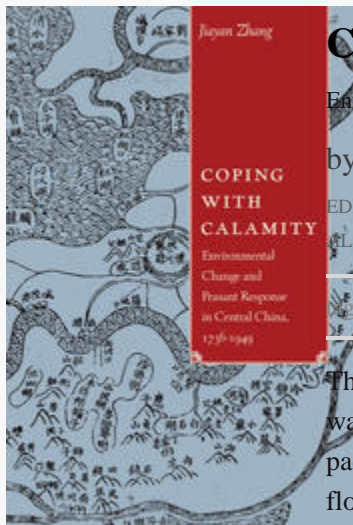
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