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Pioneer Children On The Journey West (Paperback)

By Emmy E. Werner

INGRAM PUBLISHER SERVICES US, United States, 1996. Paperback. Condition: New. Revised ed.. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Between 1841 and 1865, some forty thousand children participated in the great overland journeys from the banks of the Missouri River to the shores of the Pacific Ocean. In this engaging book, Emmy Werner gives 120 of these young emigrants, ranging from ages four to seventeen, a chance to tell the stories of their journeys west. Incorporating primary materials in the form of diaries, letters, journals, and reminiscences that are by turns humorous and heartrending, the author tells a timeless tale of human resilience. For six months or more, the young travellers traversed two thousand miles of uncharted prairies, deserts, and mountain ranges. Some became part of makeshift families others adopted the task of keeping younger siblings alive. They encountered strangers who risked their own lives for youngsters and guides whose erroneous advice led to detours and desolation. The children endured excessive heat and cold and often suffered from cholera, dysentery, fever, and scurvy. They also faced thirst and starvation, cannibalism among famished members of their own parties, kidnappings, and the deaths of family members and friends. From...



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