

# Blazing West: The Journal of Augustus Pelletier on the Lewis and Clark Expedition

The Lewis and Clark Expedition was one of the most significant events in American history. From 1804 to 1806, Meriwether Lewis and William Clark led a team of explorers from St. Louis to the Pacific Ocean and back. The expedition was a success, and it helped to open up the American West.



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One of the members of the Corps of Discovery was Augustus Pelletier. Pelletier was a French-Canadian fur trapper who had joined the expedition in St. Louis. He was a skilled hunter and tracker, and he played an important role in the expedition's success.

Pelletier kept a journal during the expedition, and it is one of the most valuable sources of information about the journey. His journal is filled with

detailed observations about the expedition's progress, the people and places they encountered, and the challenges they faced.

## **Pelletier's Journal**

Pelletier's journal begins on May 14, 1804, the day the expedition left St. Louis. He describes the excitement and anticipation of the journey, as well as the challenges of traveling up the Missouri River.

As the expedition progressed, Pelletier's journal provides a wealth of information about the people and places they encountered. He describes the Native American tribes they met, their customs, and their way of life. He also describes the plants and animals they saw, and the challenges of traveling through the wilderness.

Pelletier's journal is also a valuable source of information about the challenges the expedition faced. He describes the hunger, cold, and exhaustion that they endured. He also describes the conflicts they had with Native Americans and the dangers they faced from animals.

Pelletier's journal ends on September 23, 1806, the day the expedition returned to St. Louis. He describes the joy and relief of being back home, as well as the sadness of leaving his newfound friends.

## **Legacy**

Augustus Pelletier's journal is a valuable historical document that provides a unique perspective on the Lewis and Clark Expedition. His journal is a testament to the courage, determination, and resilience of the explorers who opened up the American West.

Pelletier's journal is still studied today by historians and scholars. It is a valuable source of information about the Lewis and Clark Expedition, and it provides a glimpse into the life of one of the expedition's most important members.

Blazing West: The Journal of Augustus Pelletier on the Lewis and Clark Expedition is a fascinating and informative account of one of the most important events in American history. Pelletier's journal is a valuable historical document that provides a unique perspective on the expedition and the challenges it faced.



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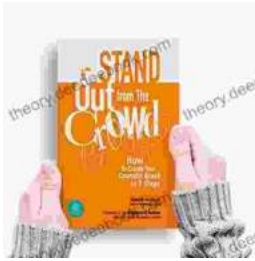
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