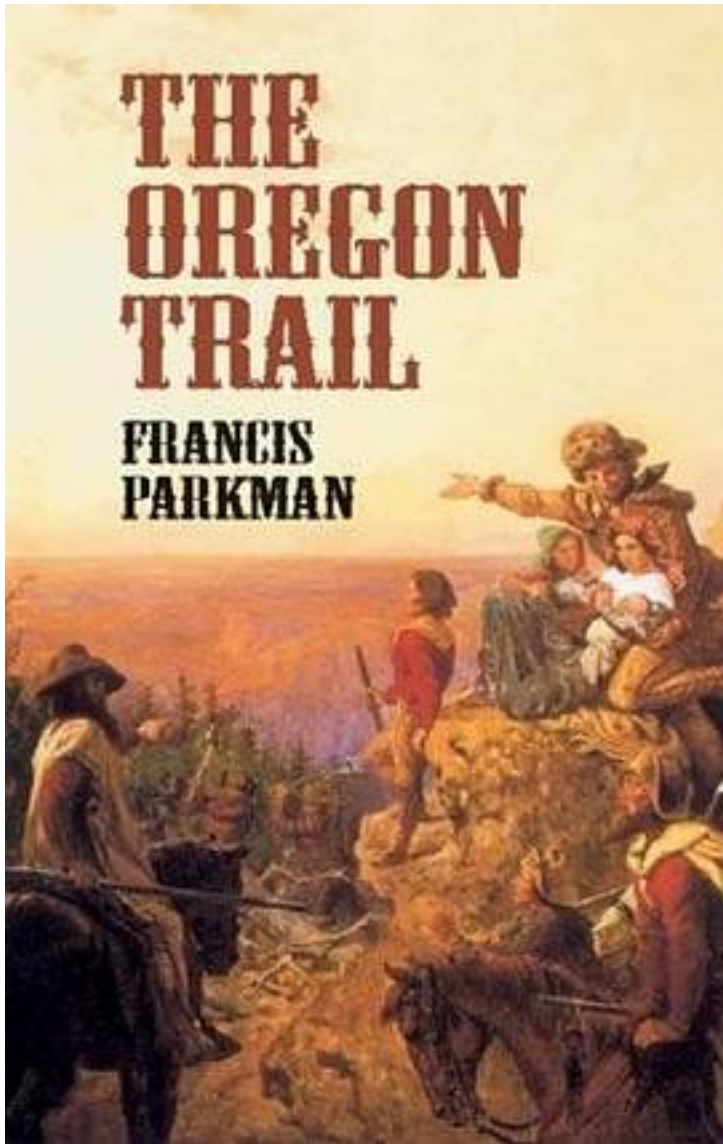


The Oregon Trail



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'It was his own fortitude and perseverance - perseverance under the most grievous physical afflictions - that made it possible for Parkman to see as much of the West as he did, to experience at first hand the life of the explorer and the trapper and hunter, and even of the Indian. And it was his arduous preparation, his intellectual curiosity, his talent for observation, his enthusiasm, his gift for dramatic narrative, that enabled him to reconstruct from his fragmentary Journals what he had seen and to convey it with such youthful exuberance to generations of readers...It is this picturesqueness, this racy vigor, this poetic eloquence, this unconquerably youthful quality which gives "The Oregon Trail" its perennial charm, recreating for us, as perhaps no other book in our literature, the wonder and beauty and intensity of life in a new world that is now old and but a memory' - Henry Steele Commager. 'I owe a great deal to an appallingly large number of historians but I am glad to name those from whom I have taken most or on whom I have principally relied: foremost and always Parkman' - Bernard DeVoto, "The Course of Empire". "The Oregon Trail", edited [by] Feltskog...is the most authoritative text, based on scholarly collation of all editions published in Parkman's lifetime and containing excellent critical and analytical introduction, textual and factual notes, Frederic Remington's illustrations, and map. This splendid edition is essential to an understanding of the "Oregon Trail" - Robert L. Gale. Francis Parkman was a 23-year-old scion of a prominent Boston family when he decided to write the history of the struggle of French and English for domination of the North American continent. In order to learn first hand about the Indians of the Plains, he prepared himself with guides, supplies, and information, setting out from Westport, Missouri, in spring 1846 and returning that September. From that trip emerged one of the seminal books of American literature, "The Oregon Trail". E. N. Feltskog is a professor of English at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

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read this in one sitting (my phone says 2.05hrs but felt like 0.1hrs!! my new muir!) Northwest is a part of America to which I was particularly drawn, and I know it down to every seafood restaurant and every farmer's market (though I haven't established residency) I envied nobody except apple farmers in Oregon

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