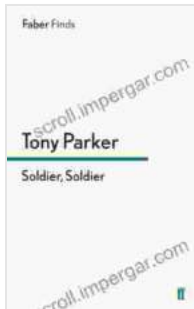


Lost and Found: Rediscovering Charles Downer Hazen's "Soldier Soldier"



Soldier, Soldier (Faber Finds) by Charles Downer Hazen

★★★★★ 5 out of 5

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The Forgotten Masterpiece

In the annals of American literature, lost works are not uncommon. The literary landscape is littered with tantalizing glimpses of novels, plays, and poems that have vanished into obscurity. But few lost works have captured the imagination of scholars and bibliophiles alike quite like Charles Downer Hazen's "Soldier Soldier."

Hazen, a renowned historian and professor at Columbia University, penned "Soldier Soldier" in the aftermath of World War I. The novel, a deeply moving and unflinchingly honest account of the war's horrors, was praised by critics upon its initial publication in 1918. However, as the years passed, "Soldier Soldier" faded into obscurity, becoming a virtually forgotten work.

A Fortuitous Find

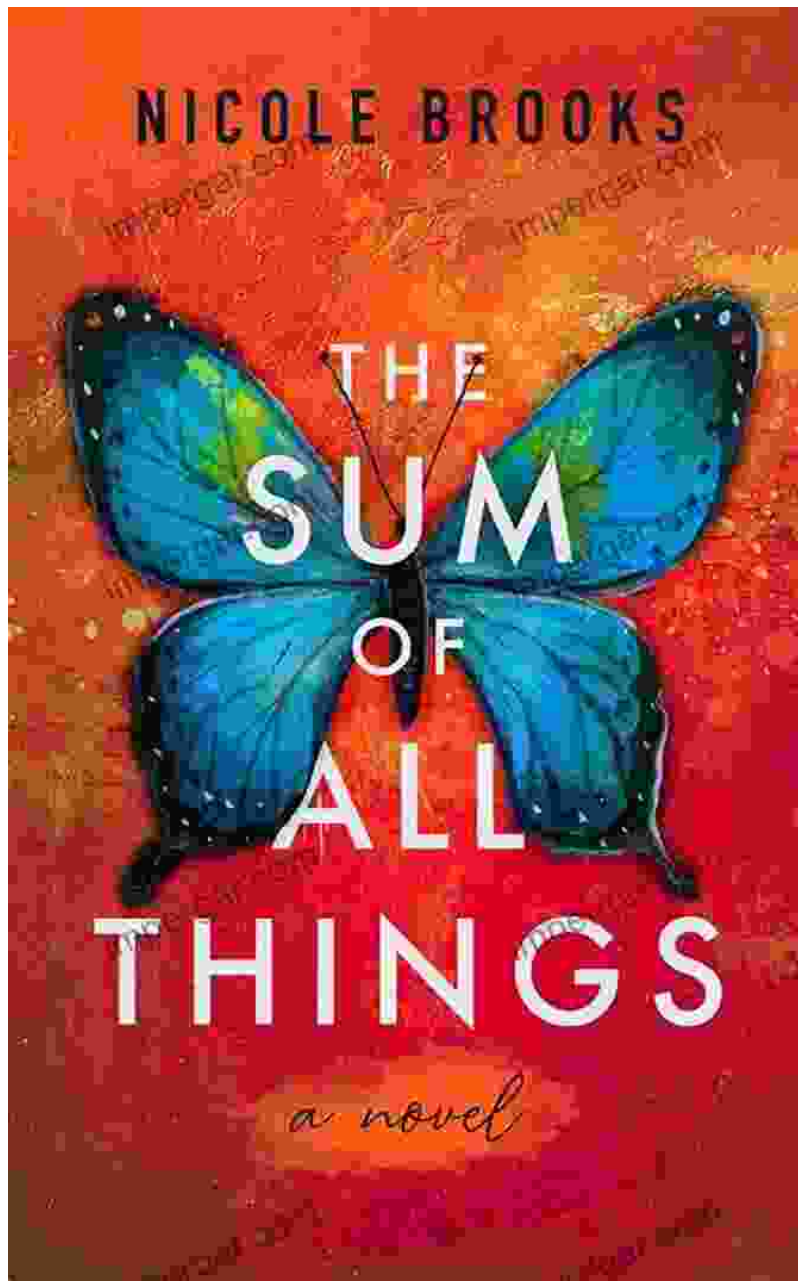
The rediscovery of "Soldier Soldier" is a story almost as remarkable as the novel itself. In 2017, a researcher at the New York Public Library stumbled upon a dusty, unmarked manuscript in the library's vast archives. Intrigued, the researcher began to delve into the manuscript, quickly realizing that he had stumbled upon a literary treasure.

The manuscript was "Soldier Soldier," a long-lost work by Charles Downer Hazen. The rediscovery sent shockwaves through the literary community and sparked a renewed interest in Hazen's work.

A Powerful War Narrative

"Soldier Soldier" is a powerful and unflinchingly honest account of the horrors of World War I. Hazen draws upon his own experiences as a member of the American Red Cross in France to create a gripping and authentic narrative.

Through the eyes of his protagonist, a young American soldier named John Allen, Hazen depicts the brutality of trench warfare, the psychological toll of combat, and the indomitable spirit of the men who fought in it. "Soldier Soldier" is a novel that pulls no punches, offering a raw and unforgettable glimpse into the realities of war.



Charles Downer Hazen: Historian and Novelist

Charles Downer Hazen was born in Barnet, Vermont, in 1868. He graduated from Dartmouth College in 1889 and earned a doctorate in history from Johns Hopkins University in 1893. Hazen began his career as a professor of history at Smith College and later moved to Columbia University, where he became a renowned scholar and author.

In addition to "Soldier Soldier," Hazen wrote numerous other books on history and political science. He was also a vocal advocate for peace and international cooperation.

A Lasting Impact

The rediscovery of "Soldier Soldier" has had a significant impact on our understanding of American literature and history. The novel has been praised by critics for its powerful writing, its unflinching honesty, and its insights into the human experience of war.

"Soldier Soldier" has also reignited interest in Charles Downer Hazen, whose work has been largely forgotten in recent decades. The rediscovery of his lost masterpiece has brought Hazen's writing to a new generation of readers and scholars.

A Literary Resurrection

The rediscovery of "Soldier Soldier" is a testament to the enduring power of literature. Books, even those that have been lost or forgotten, have the ability to captivate, inspire, and provoke thought.

"Soldier Soldier" is a valuable addition to the canon of American literature and a reminder of the important role that literature plays in understanding our past and our present.



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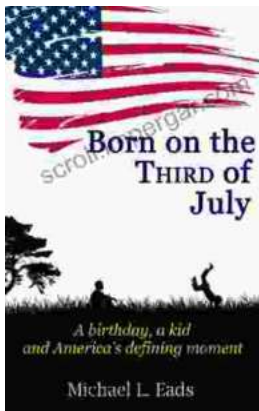
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