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Authoritative and immediate, this is a brilliant account of the most powerful of the American Indian tribes. T. R. Fehrenbach traces the Comanches' rise to power, from their prehistoric origins to their domination of the high plains for more than a century until their demise in the face of Anglo-American expansion. Master horseback riders who lived in teepees and hunted bison, the Comanches were stunning orators, disciplined warriors, and the finest makers of arrows. They lived by a strict legal code and worshipped within a cosmology of magic. As he portrays the Comanche lifestyle, Fehrenbach re-creates their doomed battle against European encroachment. While they destroyed the Spanish dream of colonizing North America and blocked the French advance into the Southwest, the Comanches ultimately fell before the Texas Rangers and the U. S. Army in the great raids and battles of the mid-nineteenth century. This is a classic American story, vividly and poignantly told.

Amy Masters flees Texas for the golden hills of Oregon, but can never forget Swift Antelope, the Comanche warrior-turned-gunslinger who captured her heart.

THE NATIONAL BESTSELLER The second book of Larry McMurtry's Lonesome Dove tetralogy, Comanche Moon takes us once again into the world of the American West. Texas Rangers August McCrae and Woodrow Call, now in their middle years, continue to deal with the ever-increasing tensions of adult life -- Gus with his great love, Clara Forsythe, and Call with Maggie Tilton, the young whore who loves him. Two proud but very different men, they enlist with the Ranger troop in pursuit of Buffalo Hump, the great Comanche war chief; Kicking Wolf, the celebrated Comanche horse thief; and a deadly Mexican bandit king with a penchant for torture. Assisting the Rangers in their wild chase is the renowned Kickapoo tracker, Famous Shoes. Comanche Moon closes the twenty-year gap between Dead Man's Walk and Lonesome Dove, following beloved heroes Gus and Call and their comrades in arms --

Deets, Jake Spoon, and Pea Eye Parker -- in their bitter struggle to protect the advancing West frontier against the defiant Comanches, courageously determined to defend their territory and their way of life. This sequel to Comanche Moon is "a Texas-size love story . . . with a tough yet tender hero" (Georgina Gentry, New York Times--bestselling author of Apache Tears). After a Comanche war party kills her husband and infant son, and makes off with her young daughter, Annie Bryce has nothing left to live for. Held captive herself by a brutal warrior, merely surviving every day is the only act of defiance she can muster. Haunted by guilt for not preventing the Comanche attack on the Bryce family, Texas Ranger Hap Walker is surprised when he stumbles across the captive Annie three years later. Hardly recognizing the beaten down woman at first, he eventually brings her back to the "civilized" world, where she's met with scorn and gossip by the townsfolk suspicious of her survival. Free of her bonds, Annie finds a new reason to live with the realization her daughter is still missing but alive. Hap agrees to accompany her through treacherous Indian Territory, hopeful to be a part of the new life Annie struggles to build. In a time and place of savagery and splendor, a saga of passion and courage comes flaming to life. "This gripping story about the healing power of love will pull at your heartstrings." —Joan Johnston, New York Times--bestselling author of Surrender "Mills writes fine, humane dialogue and makes good use of history." —Publishers Weekly

New York Times Bestseller Named one of the Best Books of the Year by the Seattle Times The Last Kind Words Saloon marks the triumphant return of Larry McMurtry to the nineteenth-century West of his classic Lonesome Dove. In this "comically subversive work of fiction" (Joyce Carol Oates, New York Review of Books), Larry McMurtry chronicles the closing of the American frontier through the travails of two of its most immortal figures, Wyatt Earp and Doc Holliday. Tracing their legendary

friendship from the settlement of Long Grass, Texas, to Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show in Denver, and finally to Tombstone, Arizona, The Last Kind Words Saloon finds Wyatt and Doc living out the last days of a cowboy lifestyle that is already passing into history. In his stark and peerless prose McMurtry writes of the myths and men that live on even as the storied West that forged them disappears. Hailed by critics and embraced by readers, The Last Kind Words Saloon celebrates the genius of one of our most original American writers.

The first comprehensive history of the Lakota Indians and their profound role in shaping America's history Named One of the New York Times Critics' Top Books of 2019 - Named One of the 10 Best History Books of 2019 by Smithsonian Magazine - Winner of the MPIBA Reading the West Book Award for narrative nonfiction "Turned many of the stories I thought I knew about our nation inside out."--Cornelia Channing, Paris Review, Favorite Books of 2019 "My favorite non-fiction book of this year."--Tyler Cowen, Bloomberg Opinion "A brilliant, bold, gripping history."--Simon Sebag Montefiore, London Evening Standard, Best Books of 2019 "All nations deserve to have their stories told with this degree of attentiveness"--Parul Sehgal, New York Times This first complete account of the Lakota Indians traces their rich and often surprising history from the early sixteenth to the early twenty-first century. Pekka Hämäläinen explores the Lakotas' roots as marginal hunter-gatherers and reveals how they reinvented themselves twice: first as a river people who dominated the Missouri Valley, America's great commercial artery, and then--in what was America's first sweeping westward expansion--as a horse people who ruled supreme on the vast high plains. The Lakotas are imprinted in American historical memory. Red Cloud, Crazy Horse, and Sitting Bull are iconic figures in the American imagination, but in this groundbreaking book they emerge as something different: the architects of Lakota America, an expansive and enduring Indigenous regime that commanded human fates in

the North American interior for generations. Hämäläinen's deeply researched and engagingly written history places the Lakotas at the center of American history, and the results are revelatory.

Having been taken as a child and raised by Comanche Indians, thirty-four-year-old Cynthia Ann Parker is forcibly returned to her white relatives, where she longs for her Indian life and her only friend is her twelve-year-old cousin Lucy.

From the #1 bestselling author of the beloved *Calendar Girl* books comes the first in a witty, wise and emotionally compelling new series, where coming home is just the beginning... "Fly free." For ten years those words, written on pink parchment paper in her mother's beautiful handwriting, have been Suda Kaye Ross's guiding star. Every year on her birthday, Suda Kaye opens another of the letters her mother penned before she passed, heeding the advice inside as she fills her life with experiences. From Italy to Australia, from Rio to Russia, she's slaked her wanderlust. And then, on her twenty-eighth birthday, she opens the letter that sends her home. Returning to Colorado means confronting everything—and everyone—she left behind, including her cherished sister, Evie, and her first love, Camden Bryant. Suda Kaye and Cam spent four years and one unforgettable night together. Given the way she ran out on him, it's no surprise that he's wary, resentful...and engaged to someone else. Evie, hardworking and überresponsible, just wants her sister to put down roots at last. For Evie's sake, and her own, Suda Kaye is trying to build a new life, all the while wondering whether it's too late to come back home—or if the most important part of her never really left. Don't miss *On the Sweet Side*, the next book in Audrey Carlan's *The Wish* series! With the emotional pull of Susan Wiggs' and Robyn Carr's engaging family dramas, *On the Sweet Side* is a sassy and emotional strangers-to-sisters story about the enduring power of family—both the one you're born with and the one you choose.

A gritty western saga and timeless love story that will leave you breathless and wanting more. PRAISE FOR ORPHAN MOON: "Gritty, raw American history...I felt like I was there. LOVE that in a good novel."-Gary "Highly recommended! An exciting, breathless read with well-developed characters and a plot that keeps you guessing."-Elizabeth "T. K. Lukas's writing reflects the kind of maturity that will shine more and more with each passing novel. Kudos to her!"-Grammar Dowager Writers' League of Texas 2015 Top Five Finalist-His-

torical Fiction 1860 - Palo Pinto, Texas: Under the spectacular glow of a Comanche moon, a family is slaughtered, their homestead torched. Nineteen-year-old Barleigh Flanders survives the terrifying raid. Fiercely determined to rebuild, she seizes an opportunity meant for another. It's a foolhardy, reckless scheme. Desperate, near penniless, it's her only hope. Her grueling physical journey stretches from Texas, to Missouri, and into the rugged Utah Territory. However, it's her emotional journey that takes her to places of uncharted darkness, discovery, and redemption. In Hughes Levesque, Barleigh gains an unsought ally with dark secrets of his own. A hired gun, it becomes his personal mission to keep Barleigh safe. Doing so may cost him his life, his job, and his heart, none of which he's keen to lose. *Orphan Moon* is a heart-wrenching saga of family love, loss, and betrayal. Both a gripping adventure and a timeless love story, it gallops across the bleeding edge of the western frontier.

A mail order bride—and her heart—get ambushed in this moving historical western romance from the bestselling author of *Sweet Mountain Magic*. Mail order bride Jennifer Andrews heads to Texas ready for adventure. But when her stagecoach is attacked, the auburn-haired beauty wishes she had never left St. Louis. All at once the renegades are gone—and she is cradled in the strong arms of fellow passenger Wade Morrow. The handsome man saved her life, and though they're all alone on the vast Texas plains, she feels safer than she ever has before. Though Comanche blood runs in Wade Morrow's veins, he was adopted by a white family as an infant and knows nothing of his Indian heritage. Still, something in him yearns for the wild, untamed land where he was born. So he heads to west Texas to join his past with his future. But when Jennifer Andrews ends up in his arms, he wants to harden his heart against the sweet desire she awakens—if only he could deny the passion they share . . . "Time after time, Rosanne Bittner brings a full-blown portrait of the untamed West to readers. Her tapestry is woven with authenticity, colorful characters, intense emotions and love's power over every conceivable obstacle." —RT Book Reviews

From Pulitzer Prize-winning author Larry McMurtry comes the "New York Times" bestselling prequel to the "Lonesome Dove" story. Texas rangers August McCrae and Woodrow F. Call, now in their middle years, are just beginning to deal with the enigmas of the heart, while courageously trying to defend their territory and their way of life. Soon to be an ABC made-for-television movie.

In this passionately written historical romance, New York Times bestselling author Catherine Anderson portrays a woman who would risk everything to protect her son—including her heart... 1864, Colorado. Born and bred in Boston, Laura Cheney was used to civilized society. She never dreamed she would wind up in the Colorado wilderness with her newborn son—widowed and very much alone. But her fragile beauty and amber eyes hide a spirit to be reckoned with—and a mother's fierce protectiveness. When her son is kidnapped, Laura turns to a man feared by many and trusted by few. Raised by the Cheyenne, Deke Sheridan is considered a renegade to his own kind. But his steely reserve is no match for Laura's intoxicating beauty. And to win her trust and devotion, Deke will stop at nothing...

New York Times bestselling author Catherine Anderson presents the first novel in her Comanche series—a powerful historical romance about a man and a woman caught between two worlds... Orphaned seven years ago after witnessing the brutal murder of her parents at the hands of the Comanche people, golden-haired Loretta Simpson still lives in terror that the warriors will return—her fear so powerful, she is no longer able to speak a word. Called the U.S. Army's most cunning adversary, Hunter of the Wolf believes that Loretta is the "honey-haired woman with no voice" of ancient prophecy—the one he must honor for all eternity. But Loretta can only see Hunter as the enemy who has stolen her, refusing to succumb to his control, or his touch. Despite the hatred intensifying between their peoples, Loretta and Hunter gradually find their prejudices giving way to respect, then flaring into feelings too dangerous to express. In the midst of such conflict, it will take all the force of their extraordinary love to find a safe place...

New York Times bestselling author Catherine Anderson will touch your emotions with the story of woman who brings out the best in a daredevil cowboy in this Harrigan Family novel. At twenty-eight, Mandy Pajack has spent most of her life taking care of others. Since the accident that took her younger brother's sight, Luke's complete reliance on Mandy's care has left both of them feeling trapped. But when Mandy meets handsome Zach Harrigan, she thinks she's found the ticket to her brother's happiness. Of the five Harrigan siblings, Zach was the hellion who partied hard and took nothing seriously. But when his life starts to feel empty, Zach decides to employ his skills as a horseman to train a mini guide horse for the blind—never expecting the project will lead him to beauti-

ful, tender-hearted Mandy. Even though she's charmed by Zach's patience and compassion, Mandy can't bring herself to fully trust him. And when Zach urges her to confront the truth about her mother's disappearance, the secrets they uncover are so shocking that even Zach's steadfast devotion may not be enough to win her heart...

It takes a tough Texas Ranger to melt a hardened heart in this "brilliant western romance" from the author of the Fire Series (Rosanne Bittner, author of *Caress*). Amanda Ross returns from her Boston finishing school to claim the Texas ranch her parents died fighting to protect. Determined to protect the land that has been in her family for generations, Amanda resents the Comanche people for taking away her loved ones. Clay McAlester may be a Texas Ranger, but he identifies most strongly with the Comanche tribe who raised him. A proud man brought up by a proud people, he has little sympathy for a woman filled with nothing but hate. But when Amanda's fiancé abandons her in her hour of need, it is McAlester and a nearby Comanche camp that comes to her aid. Will Amanda learn forgiveness in the arms of this fierce and fearless man, or will her anger consume her? "Superb . . . Grabs you by the throat and won't let go . . . I loved it!" —Joan Johnston, *New York Times*-bestselling author of *Surrender*

When Michael Kenyon, the Marquess of Stokeford, finds his grandmother having her palm read by a gypsy beauty, he's convinced that Vivien Thorne is a fortune hunter. The Marquess is determined to expose her as a fraud—and Vivien is equally determined to claim her rightful heritage. Yet neither the spirited gypsy nor the notorious rogue foresee the white-hot desire that turns their battle into a daring game where to surrender is unthinkable...impossible...and altogether irresistible.

Traces the making of the influential 1950s film inspired by the story of Cynthia Ann Parker, sharing details of Parker's 1836 abduction by the Comanche and her return to white culture twenty-four years later.

Nominated as one of America's best-loved novels by PBS's *The Great American Read*. A love story, an adventure, and an epic of the frontier, Larry McMurtry's Pulitzer Prize-winning classic, *Lonesome Dove*, the third book in the *Lonesome Dove* tetralogy, is the grandest novel ever written about the last defiant wilderness of America. Journey to the dusty little Texas town of Lonesome Dove and meet an unforgettable assortment of heroes and outlaws, whores and ladies, Indians and settlers. Richly authentic, beautifully writ-

ten, always dramatic, *Lonesome Dove* is a book to make us laugh, weep, dream, and remember.

An epic new western in the grand tradition of *True Grit* and *Lonesome Dove*—Out of nowhere Comanches attack—and sixteen-year-old Jane narrowly survives the slaughter of her family and the kidnapping of her baby sister. Driven by grief and fury, she rides headlong into Indian territory, seeking vengeance. But the odds are stacked against a young girl on the trail, and Jane soon realizes she must disguise herself as a boy to join forces with a tough company of cowhands on a cattle drive to Dodge City. The harrowing trek pits her against tough drovers, raging rivers, ruthless soldiers, and ends in a bloody reckoning that forces Jane to discover her surprising capacity for love, survival—and revenge."The *Comanche Kid* is playwright/actor James Robert Daniels' first novel, but you'd never know that by reading this magnificent, bigger-than-life tale. Making use of traditional Western elements—the vengeance quest, the coming-of-age story, the trail drive yarn, the epic clash of cavalry and Indians—Daniels' evocative prose lifts the odyssey of sixteen-year-old Jane into something special as she searches for her younger sister, who is kidnapped in the same Comanche raid that wipes out the rest of Jane's family. With echoes of *True Grit*, *The Cowboy & The Cossack*, and *Lonesome Dove*, this is a big, thrilling, tragic, and ultimately uplifting portrait of the American West." James Reasoner, author of more than 350 westerns, many under a variety of pseudonyms, including 41 Longarm novels and 20 books in the *Trailsmen* series.

From *New York Times* bestselling author Catherine Anderson comes the second novel in the *Comanche* series—a stirring story of courage, passion, and unforgettable love... Years ago, Amy Masters escaped the fury of the Texas plains for a new life as a teacher in the golden hills of Oregon, where she found contentment—if not happiness. Then, out of the shadows, comes Swift Antelope, the Comanche warrior to whom she once pledged her heart when she was no more than a girl. Claiming that he's given up his violent ways as a gunslinger, Swift has arrived to take the woman he feels is rightfully his, the woman who once swore to honor a sacred and unbreakable pact. But Amy's brutal past has made it impossible for her to trust any man—even if it's the bold warrior who has haunted her dreams, the only man she ever loved, the Comanche heart she can't live without.

Experience the thrill of an unexpected love

that defies all boundaries in the third historical romance in *New York Times* bestselling author Catherine Anderson's *Comanche* series... Torn between the white and Comanche worlds of her parents, Indigo Wolf has grown up estranged from the townspeople of Wolf's Landing, Oregon. No decent woman calls her a friend, and no man understands her strange, elusive spirit—until rugged Jake Rand comes to town. Jake offers to act as foreman of the family mine after a series of mysterious accidents have left Indigo's father seriously injured. But Jake's real motives are as secret as his true identity, and as personal as his growing attraction to Indigo...

In comic book format presents the story of a white child raised by Indians in captivity and of her son, who became the last chief of the Comanche Indians.

Struggling to make a new life for herself and her brother on a Texas ranch, Shiloh finds an unlikely protector in the chief of a band of Comanches. But when he kidnaps the two of them, she is torn between outrage and her powerful attraction to him. Includes a bonus story by Cassie Edwards. Original.

Two children make sure their parents' love story gets a second chance in this compelling romance from *New York Times* bestselling author Catherine Anderson. Two years ago, Ellie Grant would have fallen apart at any reminder of her ex-husband, Tucker. But now she doesn't bat an eye when "their song" comes on the radio. She's unfazed by the thought of Tucker's perky new girlfriend. Ellie is totally over him. And things are better for Tucker as well. The single life agrees with him. And they've both done a good job of being civil to each other, for their sons' sake. But the kids aren't buying it. Zach and Kody are convinced that, deep down, their parents are still meant to be together. Up to their elbows in scheming and dreaming, the brothers hatch a plan: they'll run away from home into the Oregon wilderness and stay there until their parents agree to get back together. Surely Ellie and Tucker will come to the rescue—and to their senses....

The timeless, bestselling four-part epic that began with the Pulitzer Prize-winning *Lonesome Dove* takes readers into the lives of Augustus McCrae and Woodrow Call, two tough-as-nails Texas Rangers in the heyday of the Old West. *Dead Man's Walk* As young Texas Rangers, Augustus McCrae and Woodrow Call—"Gus" and "Call" for short—have much to learn about survival in a land fraught with perils: not only the blazing heat and raging tornadoes, roiling rivers and merciless Indians, but also the deadly whims of soldiers. On

their first expeditions--led by incompetent officers and accompanied by the robust, dauntless whore known as the Great Western--they will face death at the hands of the cunning Comanche war chief Buffalo Hump and the silent Apache Gomez. They will be astonished by the Mexican army. And Gus will meet the love of his life. Comanche Moon Texas Rangers August McCrae and Woodrow Call, now in their middle years, are still figuring out how to deal with the ever-increasing tensions of adult life--Gus with his great love, Clara Forsythe, and Call with Maggie Tilton, the young whore who loves him--when they sign up to pursue the Comanche horse thief Kicking Wolf into Mexico. On this mission their captain, Inish Scull, is captured by the brutally cruel Mexican bandit Ahumado, and Gus and Call must come to the rescue, with the aid of new friends including Joshua Deets, Jake Spoon, and Pea Eye Parker, as well as the renowned Kickapoo tracker, Famous Shoes. Lonesome Dove Gus and Call, now retired from the Texas Rangers and settled in the border town of Lonesome Dove running the Hat Creek Cattle Company, are visited by their old friend Jake Spoon, who convinces Gus and Call to gather a herd of cattle and drive them north to Montana in order to start a cattle ranch in untouched territory. Gus is further motivated by a desire to see the love of his life, Clara Allen (nee Forsythe), who now lives with her children and comatose horse-trader husband in Ogallala, Nebraska. On the way to Montana they travel through wild country full of thieves, murderers, and a lifetime's worth of unforgettable adventure. Streets of Laredo Woodrow Call is back in Texas, a Ranger once again and a general gun-for-hire, but increasingly a relic as the westward sprawl of the railroads rapidly settles the once lawless frontier. Hired by a railroad tycoon to hunt down a dangerous bandit named Joey Garza, Call sets out once again with a hapless Yankee named Ned Brookshire who works for the railroad company that hired Call. Call's old friend Pea Eye Parker--who initially refused to join the expedition because of his family--sets off with the Kickapoo tracker Famous Shoes to try to catch up with Call, until he runs into troubles of his own. The long pursuit of Garza leads them all across the last wild stretches of the West into a hellhole known as Crow Town and, finally, into the vast, relentless plains of the Texas frontier. The New York Times bestselling author of New Leaf returns to Mystic Creek, Oregon, where a wounded heart finds a place to call home. . . . After a career on the rodeo circuit, Ben Sterling longs to settle down on his farm and start a family like his

brothers. He's searched all over for the woman of his dreams. Yet the only one to spark his interest is the new owner of the local café. Getting her attention, however, won't be easy. Sissy Sue Bentley has worked hard to make it on her own, and she doesn't need another man in her life. From her alcoholic father to the men she's dated, who were after only one thing, they are nothing but trouble. Except Ben keeps showing up whenever she really needs help. Sissy struggles to deny her growing feelings for him—but soon Ben's tender concern has her hoping for a happier future. Then her past comes barreling back into her life, and it will take more than the love in Ben's heart to hold them together. NEVER BEFORE PUBLISHED

The Comanches did her a favor when they killed her loutish husband on her wedding night. But now this Southern belle is the possession of a fierce, blue-eyed warrior called Hawk . . . Zach Banning, known as Hawk among the Comanches, is caught between two races, two cultures, two lives. Deborah Hamilton is a Mississippi beauty who came to the Texas territory for an arranged marriage. Little did she know, her new husband's people have earned the Comanches' hatred. They enact their vengeance on her wedding night, kidnapping Deborah along with other women and also the settlement's children. She expects the worst at the Comanches' village, but instead finds kindness alongside the challenges. But when Hawk barter her away from her owner, intending to seduce and possess her, Deborah finds herself in a battle of wills laced with deep desire. Virginia Brown is the author of more than fifty novels, including the bestselling Dixie Divas mystery series. Look for many more of her classic historical romances, coming soon from Bell Bridge Books.

'Vastly original. Bessy is surely one of the most striking characters in recent fiction: cynical, disruptive, tender and very, very funny.' Independent on Sunday Shortlisted for the Orange Prize Scotland, 1863. In an attempt to escape her past, Bessy Buckley takes a job working as a maid in a big country house. But when Arabella, her beautiful mistress, asks her to undertake a series of bizarre tasks, Bessy begins to realise that she hasn't quite landed on her feet. In one of the most acclaimed debuts of recent years, Jane Harris has created a heroine who will make you laugh and cry as she narrates this unforgettable story about secrets and suspicions and the redemptive power of love and friendship.

The "fascinating" #1 New York Times bestseller that awakened the world to the destruction of American Indians in the nine-

teenth-century West (The Wall Street Journal). First published in 1970, *Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee* generated shockwaves with its frank and heartbreaking depiction of the systematic annihilation of American Indian tribes across the western frontier. In this nonfiction account, Dee Brown focuses on the betrayals, battles, and massacres suffered by American Indians between 1860 and 1890. He tells of the many tribes and their renowned chiefs—from Geronimo to Red Cloud, Sitting Bull to Crazy Horse—who struggled to combat the destruction of their people and culture. Forcefully written and meticulously researched, *Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee* inspired a generation to take a second look at how the West was won. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Dee Brown including rare photos from the author's personal collection.

Texas Ranger, Will Smith moved with his family to Texas during the early days of the Republic. Family strife is caused by Comanche Indians who kill Will's brother James and abduct his nine-year-old nephew Fayette. Will pursues the Indians alone in hopes of rescuing the boy.

Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award *A New York Times Notable Book* *Winner of the Texas Book Award and the Oklahoma Book Award* This New York Times bestseller and stunning historical account of the forty-year battle between Comanche Indians and white settlers for control of the American West "is nothing short of a revelation...will leave dust and blood on your jeans" (The New York Times Book Review). *Empire of the Summer Moon* spans two astonishing stories. The first traces the rise and fall of the Comanches, the most powerful Indian tribe in American history. The second entails one of the most remarkable narratives ever to come out of the Old West: the epic saga of the pioneer woman Cynthia Ann Parker and her mixed-blood son Quanah, who became the last and greatest chief of the Comanches. Although readers may be more familiar with the tribal names Apache and Sioux, it was in fact the legendary fighting ability of the Comanches that determined when the American West opened up. Comanche boys became adept bareback riders by age six; full Comanche braves were considered the best horsemen who ever rode. They were so masterful at war and so skillful with their arrows and lances that they stopped the northern drive of colonial Spain from Mexico and halted the French expansion westward from Louisiana. White settlers arriving in Texas from the eastern United States were surprised to find the frontier being rolled backward by Comanches in-

censed by the invasion of their tribal lands. The war with the Comanches lasted four decades, in effect holding up the development of the new American nation. Gwynne's exhilarating account delivers a sweeping narrative that encompasses Spanish colonialism, the Civil War, the destruction of the buffalo herds, and the arrival of the railroads, and the amazing story of Cynthia Ann Parker and her son Quanaah—a historical feast for anyone interested in how the United States came into being. Hailed by critics, S. C. Gwynne's account of these events is meticulously researched, intellectually provocative, and, above all, thrillingly told. *Empire of the Summer Moon* announces him as a major new writer of American history.

"Mama," Jane's voice quavered, "I hear Injuns up on the roof. Can they come down the chimney?" So began one of the many dangers faced by Jane McGregor and her mother, Caroline, in Comanche County, Texas in 1872. A band of Comanche Indians captured two small neighbor children. Jane's father, Robert, and other area ranchers, had to find them and negotiate their release --avoiding bloodshed if possible. But there were good times, too. When she was 13, Jane's father gave her a beautiful roan mare named Clover, and the two formed an unbreakable, loving bond. Together they shared adventures and understanding. When Jane's brother, Allen, married Maggie under an arch covered with vines and flowers, Jane had a sister at last. She even caught the bouquet. By 1876, Comanche County had advanced and prospered, and the pioneer McGregor family grew and prospered with it. That same year, Jane fell in love and began planning her wedding.

"Narratives of Kiowa, Cheyenne, Arapaho, Comanche and Caddo prisoners taken to Ft. Marion, Florida, in 1875 interspersed with the author's own history and contemporary reflections of place and identity"-- From New York Times bestselling author Catherine Anderson comes the final novel in the Comanche series—the poignant story of a fallen woman and the man who

sees her pure heart... Handsome, strong, and just a little bit dangerous, half-Comanche Chase Wolf is used to getting what he wants. So when he sees Franny—a golden-haired angel with deep green eyes, delicate features and the sweetest smile—he sets out to make her his. But far from the innocent she seems, Franny is the local "unfortunate" who serves men above the Lucky Nugget saloon. The shocking truth sends Chase reeling... Long ago, circumstances forced Franny to make a terrible choice in order to provide for those she holds most dear. Now she lives a secret double life, respectable in one world, shunned in another, always fearful of discovery, forever marked by shame. But Chase's persistent love for Franny knows no bounds. He offers her a life she longs to claim and he won't stop trying until her defenses have fallen, her heart is healed, and their love has triumphed.

Draws on Red Cloud's autobiography, which was lost for nearly a hundred years, to present the story of the great Oglala Sioux chief who was the only Plains Indian to defeat the United States Army in a war. Winner of the 2015 Pulitzer Prize for History *Encounters at the Heart of the World* concerns the Mandan Indians, iconic Plains people whose teeming, busy towns on the upper Missouri River were for centuries at the center of the North American universe. We know of them mostly because Lewis and Clark spent the winter of 1804-1805 with them, but why don't we know more? Who were they really? In this extraordinary book, Elizabeth A. Fenn retrieves their history by piecing together important new discoveries in archaeology, anthropology, geology, climatology, epidemiology, and nutritional science. Her boldly original interpretation of these diverse research findings offers us a new perspective on early American history, a new interpretation of the American past. By 1500, more than twelve thousand Mandans were established on the northern Plains, and their commercial prowess, agricultural skills,

and reputation for hospitality became famous. Recent archaeological discoveries show how these Native American people thrived, and then how they collapsed. The damage wrought by imported diseases like smallpox and the havoc caused by the arrival of horses and steamboats were tragic for the Mandans, yet, as Fenn makes clear, their sense of themselves as a people with distinctive traditions endured. A riveting account of Mandan history, landscapes, and people, Fenn's narrative is enriched and enlivened not only by science and research but by her own encounters at the heart of the world.

Bringing together Custer, Sherman, Grant, and other fascinating military and political figures, as well as great native leaders such as Crazy Horse, Sitting Bull, and Geronimo, this "sweeping work of narrative history" (*San Francisco Chronicle*) is the fullest account to date of how the West was won—and lost. After the Civil War the Indian Wars would last more than three decades, permanently altering the physical and political landscape of America. Peter Cozzens gives us both sides in comprehensive and singularly intimate detail. He illuminates the intertribal strife over whether to fight or make peace; explores the dreary, squalid lives of frontier soldiers and the imperatives of the Indian warrior culture; and describes the ethical quandaries faced by generals who often sympathized with their native enemies. In dramatically relating bloody and tragic events as varied as Wounded Knee, the Nez Perce War, the Sierra Madre campaign, and the Battle of the Little Bighorn, we encounter a pageant of fascinating characters, including Custer, Sherman, Grant, and a host of officers, soldiers, and Indian agents, as well as great native leaders such as Crazy Horse, Sitting Bull, Geronimo, and Red Cloud and the warriors they led. *The Earth Is Weeping* is a sweeping, definitive history of the battles and negotiations that destroyed the Indian way of life even as they paved the way for the emergence of the United States we know today.