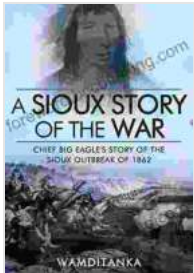


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The Sioux Outbreak of 1862 was a major turning point in American history. It marked the beginning of a long and bloody conflict between the United States government and the Native American tribes of the Great Plains. The outbreak was sparked by a series of misunderstandings and broken promises, and it quickly escalated into a full-scale war.

One of the most important figures in the Sioux Outbreak was Chief Big Eagle. Big Eagle was a respected leader of the Santee Sioux tribe, and he played a key role in the planning and execution of the outbreak. After the outbreak was defeated, Big Eagle was captured and imprisoned. While in prison, he dictated his story to a government agent. This story provides a unique and invaluable firsthand account of the outbreak from the perspective of one of its leaders.

## **The Outbreak**

The Sioux Outbreak of 1862 began on August 17, 1862, when a group of Santee Sioux warriors attacked a group of white settlers near Acton, Minnesota. The attack was in retaliation for the government's failure to provide promised food and supplies to the tribe. Over the next few weeks, the outbreak spread to other parts of Minnesota and Iowa, and hundreds of settlers were killed.

Chief Big Eagle played a key role in the planning and execution of the outbreak. He was one of the leaders who decided to attack the settlers, and he led several raids against white settlements. Big Eagle was also a skilled warrior, and he was known for his bravery and ferocity in battle.

## **The Defeat**

The Sioux Outbreak was eventually defeated by the United States Army. In September 1862, a force of over 2,000 soldiers under the command of General Henry Sibley marched into Minnesota and defeated the Sioux warriors in a series of battles. Big Eagle was captured in one of these battles, and he was taken prisoner.

## **Imprisonment and Death**

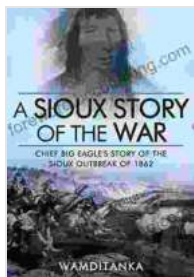
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Big Eagle died in prison in 1868. He was buried in an unmarked grave at Fort Snelling. However, his story continues to be told, and he is remembered as one of the most important figures in the Sioux Outbreak of 1862.

The Sioux Outbreak of 1862 was a tragedy for both the Native Americans and the white settlers of Minnesota. The outbreak was sparked by a series of misunderstandings and broken promises, and it quickly escalated into a full-scale war. Chief Big Eagle was one of the most important figures in the outbreak, and his story provides a unique and invaluable firsthand account of the events that led up to the war and the war itself.

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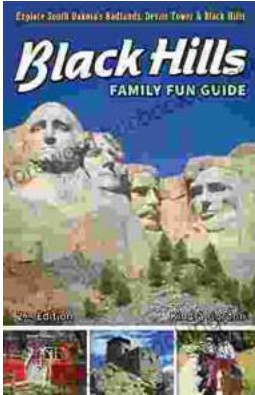


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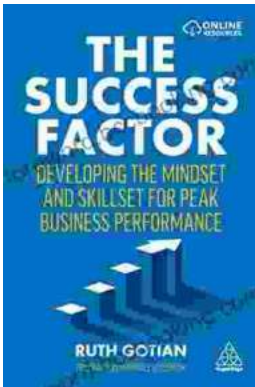
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