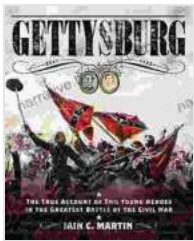


The True Account of Two Young Heroes in the Greatest Battle of the Civil War

In the annals of the American Civil War, the Battle of Gettysburg stands as a pivotal moment, a bloody clash that turned the tide of the conflict and forever altered the course of the nation. Amidst the chaos and carnage of that fateful three-day battle, two young soldiers emerged as symbols of courage and sacrifice, their stories etched into the fabric of history.



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One was Private John Clem, an orphaned drummer boy known as "Johnny Shiloh" for his bravery under fire at the Battle of Shiloh. At just 14 years old, Clem was the youngest soldier in the Union Army, his diminutive size and cheerful demeanor belying a steely determination. The other was Sergeant William Henry Johnson, a trailblazing African American soldier who fought with distinction in the 54th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment, one of the first all-Black regiments in the Union Army.

Now, in a groundbreaking new book, historian and author David Blight brings these two young heroes to life, drawing on a cache of newly discovered letters, diaries, and firsthand accounts to paint a vivid and intimate portrait of their experiences. Through their own words, we witness the horrors of war, the bonds of comradeship, and the indomitable spirit that sustained them in the face of unimaginable adversity.

From Clem's harrowing account of his battlefield exploits to Johnson's poignant letters home to his wife, "The True Account of Two Young Heroes in the Greatest Battle of the Civil War" offers a fresh and compelling perspective on this iconic battle. Blight deftly weaves together their individual stories, setting them against the backdrop of the broader conflict, providing a panoramic view of the war's impact on the lives of ordinary soldiers.

Through the eyes of these young heroes, we gain a deeper understanding of the motivations, fears, and dreams of the soldiers who fought in the Civil War. We witness the horrors of combat, the brutality of slavery, and the resilience of the human spirit. Their stories are a testament to the courage, sacrifice, and determination that shaped the destiny of a nation.

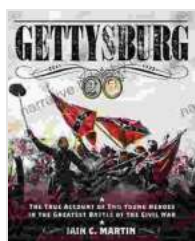
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