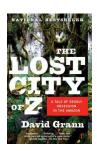


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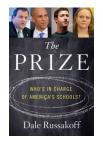


# The lost city of Z: a tale of deadly obsession in the Amazon July 13, 2017

by David Grann

Interweaves the story of British explorer Percy Fawcett, who vanished during a 1925 expedition into the Amazon to find an ancient civilization, with the author's own adventure-filled quest into the uncharted

wilderness to uncover the mysteries surrounding Fawcett's final journey and the secrets of what really lies deep in the Amazon jungle.



## The prize: who's in charge of America's schools? August 10, 2017

by Dale Russakoff

A behind-the-scenes account of the highstakes race to reform Newark's failing schools draws on inside access to such figures as Mark Zuckerberg, Cory Booker and Chris Christie to offer insight into the

initiative's obstacles, detractors and economic realities.



#### A midwife's tale: the life of Martha Ballard, based on her diary, 1785-1812 September 14, 2017

by Laurel Ulrich

Presents the life of Martha Ballard, a midwife in Maine during the eighteenth century, by drawing on the detailed diary she kept for twenty-seven years of her life

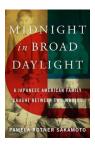


### Marmee & Louisa: the untold story of Louisa May Alcott and her mother October 12, 2017

by Eve LaPlante

A great niece and cousin of Louisa May Alcott draws on newly uncovered family papers to present a moving revisionist

portrait of her relationship with her mother, challenging popular beliefs about father Bronson's primary influence to demonstrate how Abigail May served as the intellectual and emotional center of Louisa's life. By the award-winning author of Salem Witch Judge.



# Midnight in broad daylight: a Japanese American family caught between two worlds November 9, 2017

by Pamela Rotner Sakamoto
Describes the true story of three Japanese
American brothers, two of whom move to
their mother's ancestral home in Hiroshima
after their father's death, and find

themselves on opposite sides of the world and the war as Pearl Harbor unfolds.



### Brunelleschi's dome : how a Renaissance genius reinvented architecture

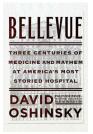
#### **December 14, 2017**

by Ross King

Describes how a fifteenth-century goldsmith and clockmaker, Filippo Brunelleschi, came up with a unique design for the dome to

crown Florence's magnificent new cathedral, Santa Maria del Fiore, in a dramatic study set against the turbulent backdrop of Renaissance Italy.

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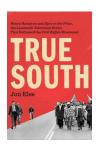


Bellevue: three centuries of medicine and mayhem at America's most storied hospital January 11, 2018

by David M. Oshinsky

A history of the iconic public hospital on New York City;s East Side describes the changes in American medicine from 1730 to modern times as it traces building;s origins

as an almshouse and pesthouse to its current status as a revered place of first-class care.

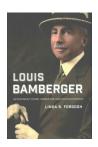


True south: Henry Hampton and Eyes on the prize, the landmark television series that reframed the civil rights movement February 8, 2018

by Jon Else

A 30th-anniversary tribute reveals the inside story of the making of one of the most

influential television shows in history, examining the production's role in reframing the course of the Civil Rights movement.



### Louis Bamberger: department store innovator and philanthropist March 8, 2018

by Linda B Forgosh

Louis Bamberger (1855–1944) was the epitome of the merchant prince as public benefactor. Bor

of the merchant prince as public benefactor. Born in Baltimore, this son of German immigrants built his business—the great, glamorous L.

Bamberger & Co. department store in Newark, N.J.—into the sixth-largest department store in the country. A multimillionaire by middle age, he joined the elite circle of German Jews who owned Macy's, Bloomingdale's, and Filene's. Despite his vast wealth and local prominence, Bamberger was a reclusive figure who shunned the limelight, left no business records, and kept no diaries. He remained a bachelor and kept his private life and the rationale for his business decisions to himself.

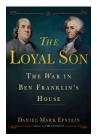


# Shadow Catcher: how Edward S. Curtis documented American Indian dignity and beauty April 12, 2018

by Michael Burgan

"Chronicles the life of Edward S. Curtis and

his 20-volume life's work, The North American Indian"



### The loyal son: the war in Ben Franklin's house May 10, 2018

by Daniel Mark Epstein

When he was twenty-four, Franklin fathered a child with a woman who was not his wife. He adopted the boy, raised him, and educated him to be his aide. Ben and William became inseparable. After the famous kite-in-a-

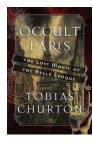
thunderstorm experiment, it was William who proved that the electrical charge in a lightning bolt travels from the ground up, not from the clouds down. On a diplomatic mission to London, it was William who charmed London society. He was invited to walk in the procession of the coronation of George III; Ben was not.

The outbreak of the American Revolution caused a devastating split between father and son.

### June Selection Meeting June 14, 2018

by Christine Sharbrough

June will be our selection meeting to choose next titles for the upcoming year.



## Occult Paris: the lost magic of the Belle Époque July 12, 2018

by Tobias Churton

"How fin-de-siècle Paris became the locus for the most intense revival of magical practices and doctrines since the Renaissance"

The Non-Fiction Book Club Meets the Second Thursday of Each Month from 10:30a.m. to 12:30p.m. in the Trustees' Room.

Please join us!



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