



The Hudson s Bay Company: The History and Legacy of the Famous English Trading Company in Colonial America (Paperback)

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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, United States, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. *Includes pictures *Includes contemporary accounts of the company and its expeditions *Includes online resources and a bibliography for further reading When Queen Elizabeth arrived in Lower Fort Garry, Manitoba in 1970, she was, like many foreign leaders, greeted with a reception and offered tokens by her hosts. What was different about this occasion, however, were the gifts offered: live elk and beaver. In the long-standing tradition of the Hudson s Bay Company, should the King or Queen arrive in the lands governed by the charter King Charles II granted in 1660, he or she would be presented with two elk and two beavers by Company officials. Only Queen Elizabeth and her father had the opportunity to take advantage of this part of the charter s clauses, but the royal houses of Britain had benefitted from the rule of the Hudson s Bay Company for hundreds of years beforehand. Britain had grown rich on the profits brought into the country from across the seas in North America. Ironically, however, the 300-year relationship between the British Crown and the Hudson s Bay...

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