Canal Days In America: The History And Romance Of Old Towpaths And Waterways

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Explore eight ways that the Erie Canal, which married the waters of the Atlantic Ocean and the Great Lakes, altered the course of American history. Author: Christopher Klein.

1. The Erie Canal opened the Midwest to settlement.

Prior to the construction of the Erie Canal, most of the United States population remained pinned between the Atlantic Ocean to the east and the Appalachian Mountains to the west. As the gateway to the Midwest, New York City became America’s commercial capital and the primary port of entry for European immigrants. The city’s population quadrupled between 1820 and 1850, and the financing of the canal’s construction also allowed New York to surpass Philadelphia as the country’s preeminent banking center.
From Hans Holzer, an internationally known expert in the field of the paranormal, here is a chilling collection of true ghost stories. Two books in one, this volume combines Holzer’s Yankee Ghosts and Ghosts of New England, each describing spine-tingling encounters with spirits in some of New England’s most eerie haunts. 


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American History (2) canals (4) Canals United States History (1) Canals-History (1) Canals-US (1) ferry boats (1) history (3) History-Canals (1) non-fiction (1) SLG2017 (1) transportation (1) US History (1) USA (1) Waterways (1). â–¾LibraryThing Recommendations. refresh. â–¾Member recommendations. None. â–¾Lists. None. In New Orleans, life was like straddling two centuries ago, are in the atmosphere of the old French and Spanish. At the same time, there are also modern buildings. Founded in 1717 by Jean Baptiste LeMoyne, Sieur de Bienville, the first settlement was around Bayou (a creek or small bay formed by the bend of the river) Saint John. Construction of the city walks in 1721 with an area of 11 blocks by 6 blocks. The French Quarter is the heart of the old city of New Orleans. There are found engaging beauty of the past, history, and romance. The streets are not wide, the buildings adjacent to each other and an old building with various roof shapes and latticed iron balconies, and mixing Spanish and French architecture called Creole, derived from the Spanish criollo. Canal days in America: the history and romance of old towpaths and waterways. (Bramhall House, 1972) 311 p. -- Includes four chapters on the Erie Canal. [Erie] Canal Museum. An Englishman's journey along America's eastern waterways: the 1831 illustrated journal of Herbert Holtham's travels / edited by Seymour I. Schwartz. (Rochester Museum & Science Center and the University of Rochester Press, 2000) 168 p. -- A reproduction of a journal and pen-and-ink drawings of Herbert Holtham, a Unitarian minister from Brighton, England. The book details Holtham's travels in parts of the Eastern United States, particularly in New York along the Erie Canal, only six years after the completion of the canal.