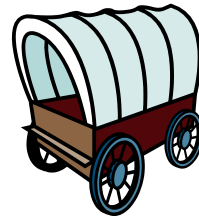


## American Historical Fiction - Late Nineteenth Century: 1865-1899



### F ALD

Aldrich, Bess Streeter

#### **A Lantern in Her Hand** [1994]

Abbie accompanies her family to the soon-to-be state of Nebraska. There, in 1865, she marries and settles into a sod house of her own. The novel describes Abbie's years of child-raising, of making a frontier home able to withstand every adversity.

### F ARM

Armstrong, William Howard and Barkley, James

#### **Sounder** [1972, 1969].

Angry and humiliated when his sharecropper father is jailed for stealing food for his family, a young black boy grows in courage and understanding by learning to read and with the help of the devoted dog Sounder.

### F BRI

Brink, Carol Ryrie and Hyman, Trina Schart.

#### **Caddie Woodlawn** [1973].

The adventures of an eleven-year-old tomboy growing up on the Wisconsin frontier in the mid-nineteenth century.

### F BYA

Byars, Betsy Cromer

#### **Trouble River** [1989, 1969].

This adventure is set in the mid-1880s. Twelve-year-old Dewey has been left with his grandmother while his parents travel to the city for the birth of their new baby. But terror awaits when Dewey surprises an Indian about to set fire to their cabin on the prairie.

### F CON

Conrad, Pam and Zudeck, Darryl S.

#### **Prairie songs** [1987, 1985].

Louisa's life in a loving pioneer family on the Nebraska prairie is altered by the arrival of a new doctor and his beautiful, tragically frail wife.

### F COU

Coulumbis, Audrey

#### **The Misadventures of Maude March, or, Trouble Rides a Fast Horse**

After the death of the stern aunt who raised them since they were orphaned, eleven-year-old Sallie and her fifteen-year-old sister escape their self-serving guardians and begin an adventure resembling those in the dime novels Sallie loves to read.

F DUR

Durbin, William

**The Journal of Sean Sullivan: A Transcontinental Railroad Worker: Nebraska and Points West, 1867** [1999].

In 1867, fifteen-year-old Sean experiences both hardships and rewards when he joins his father in working on the building of the Transcontinental Railroad. (My Name is America Series)

F GIP

Gipson, Fred

**Old Yeller** [1990, 1956].

Fourteen-year-old Travis is left to take care of his mother and small brother in the Texas wilderness (late 1860's) while his father is away, and is able to do so with the help of a big yellow dog.

F GRE

Gregory, Kristiana

**The Great Railroad Race** [1999].

As the daughter of a newspaper reporter, 14-year-old Libby keeps a diary account of the exciting events surrounding her during the building of the railroad in the West in 1868. (Dear America Series)

F HAN

Hansen, Joyce

**I Thought My Soul Would Rise and Fly/ The Diary of Patsy, a Freed Girl**[1997].

Twelve-year-old Patsy keeps a diary of the ripe but confusing time following the end of the Civil War and the granting of freedom to former slaves.

F HIL

Hill, Kirkpatrick

**Dancing At The Odinochka** [2005].

In the 1860s, Erinia Pavaloff's life at a trading post in Russian America gets more complicated when the region is annexed to the United States and members of the small community become American Alaskans. Author's note identifies the historical basis for the story.

F HOB

Hobbs, Will

**Jason's Gold** [1999].

When news of the discovery of gold in Canada's Yukon Territory in 1897 reaches fifteen-year-old Jason, he embarks on a 10,000-mile journey to strike it rich.

F KEL

Kelly, Jacqueline

**The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate**

In central Texas in 1899, eleven-year-old Callie Vee Tate learns about love from the older three of her six brothers and studies the natural world with her grandfather which leads to an important discovery.

F LAW

Lawlor, Laurie and Owens, Gail.

**Addie Across the Prairie** [1991, 1986].

In 1883, unhappy to leave her home and friends, Addie reluctantly accompanies her family to the Dakota Territory and slowly begins to adjust to life on the prairie.

F LAW

Lawlor, Laurie and Gowing, Toby.

**Addie's Dakota Winter** [1991, 1989].

In her new pioneer home of Dakota, ten-year-old Addie finds an unlikely friend and, stranded alone during a blizzard, learns about courage.

F MUR

Murphy, Jim

**West to a Land of Plenty: The Diary of Teresa Angelino Viscardi: New York to Idaho Territory, 1883** [1998].

While traveling in 1883 with her Italian-American family (including a meddlesome little sister) and other immigrant pioneers to a utopian community in Idaho, fourteen-year-old Teresa keeps a diary of her experiences along the way. (Dear America Series)

F MYE

Myers, Walter Dean

**The Journal of Joshua Loper : A Black Cowboy** [1999].

In 1871, Joshua Loper, a sixteen-year-old black cowboy, records in his journal his experiences while making his first cattle drive under an unsympathetic trail boss. (My Name is America Series)

F PAU

Paulsen, Gary

**Sarny, a Life Remembered** [1999,1997].

Continues the adventures of Sarny, the slave girl Nightjohn taught to read, through the aftermath of the Civil War during which time she taught other Blacks and lived a full life until age ninety-four.

F RIN

Rinaldi, Ann

**My Heart Is On The Ground/ The Diary of Nannie Little Rose, a Sioux Girl, Carlisle Indian School, Pennsylvania, 1880** [1999].

In the diary account of her life at a government-run Pennsylvania boarding school in 1880, a 12-year-old Sioux Indian girl reveals a need to find a way to help her people.

F TAY

Taylor, Mildred D.

**The Land** [2001].

Paul-Edward, the son of a part-Indian, part-African slave mother and a White plantation owner father, finds himself caught between the two worlds of his parents as he pursues his dream of owning land in the aftermath of the Civil War.

F WAL

Wallace, Bill

**Red Dog** [1988, 1987].

Living with his family in the rugged, often dangerous, Wyoming mountains in the 1860's, twelve-year-old Adam finds his courage put to the test when he is left in charge of the household during his stepfather's absence.

F WIL

Wilder, Laura Ingalls and Williams, Garth.

**By the Shores of Silver Lake** [1953].

Ma and the girls follow Pa west by train where they make their home at a rough railroad camp and plan for their own homestead.

F WIL

Wilder, Laura Ingalls and Williams, Garth.

**The First Four Years** [1972, 1971].

During their first four years of marriage, Laura and Almanzo Wilder have a child and fight a losing battle in their attempts to succeed at farming on the South Dakota prairie.

F WIL

Wilder, Laura Ingalls and Williams, Garth

**Little House in the Big Woods** [1953].

A year in the life of two young girls growing up on the Wisconsin frontier, as they help their mother with the daily chores, enjoy their father's stories and singing, and share special occasions when they get together with relatives or neighbors.

F WIL

Wilder, Laura Ingalls and Williams, Garth.

**Little House on the Prairie** [1981, 1963].

A family travels from the big woods of Wisconsin to a new home on the prairie, where they build a house, meet neighboring Indians, build a well, and fight a prairie fire.

F WIL

Wilder, Laura Ingalls and Williams, Garth

**Little Town on the Prairie** [1971, 1953].

Pa's homestead thrives, Laura gets her first job in town, blackbirds eat the crops, Mary goes to college, and Laura gets into trouble at school, but becomes a certified school teacher.

F WIL

Wilder, Laura Ingalls and Williams, Garth.

**The Long Winter** [1953].

After an October blizzard, Laura's family moves from the claim shanty into town for the winter, a winter that an Indian has predicted will be seven months of bad weather.

F WIL

Wilder, Laura Ingalls and Williams, Garth

**On the Banks of Plum Creek** [1953].

Laura and her family move to Minnesota where they live in a dugout until a new house is built and face misfortunes caused by flood, blizzard, and grasshoppers.

F WIL

Wilder, Laura Ingalls and Williams, Garth.

**These Happy Golden Years** [1953].

Laura has her first experiences as a teacher, and is courted by Almanzo Wilder.

F YEP

Yep, Laurence

**Dragon's Gate** [1993].

When he accidentally kills a Manchu, a fifteen-year-old Chinese boy is sent to America to join his father, an uncle, and other Chinese working to build a tunnel for the transcontinental railroad through the Sierra Nevada mountains in 1867.