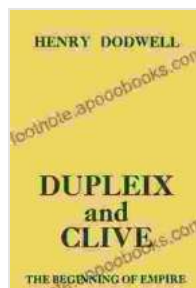


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Dupleix and Clive: Beginning of Empire is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of India and the British Empire. This book tells the story of two extraordinary men who played a pivotal role in shaping the destiny of the Indian subcontinent.

Joseph François Dupleix was a French governor-general of Pondicherry, India. He is best known for his ambitious plans to establish a French empire in India. Robert Clive was a British army officer who played a key role in the British conquest of India.

The two men were bitter rivals, and their rivalry played a major role in the Seven Years' War, which was fought between France and Great Britain from 1756 to 1763. The war ended with a British victory, and Clive emerged as the dominant figure in India.

Dupleix and Clive were both complex and fascinating characters. Dupleix was a brilliant military strategist and a skilled diplomat. He was also a ruthless and ambitious man who was willing to use any means necessary to achieve his goals.

Clive was a brave and determined soldier. He was also a brilliant tactician and a charismatic leader. He was, however, also a ruthless and ambitious man who was willing to use any means necessary to achieve his goals.

The rivalry between Dupleix and Clive is a fascinating story of ambition, power, and betrayal. It is a story that is still relevant today, as the world continues to grapple with the legacy of colonialism.

The Early Years

Joseph François Dupleix was born in Landrecies, France, in 1697. He was the son of a wealthy merchant, and he received a good education. In 1715, he joined the French East India Company, and he quickly rose through the ranks.

In 1742, Dupleix was appointed governor-general of Pondicherry, India. He immediately began to implement his plans to establish a French empire in India. He formed alliances with local rulers, and he built up a powerful army.

Robert Clive was born in Styche, England, in 1725. He was the son of a lawyer, and he received a good education. In 1743, he joined the British East India Company, and he quickly rose through the ranks.

In 1751, Clive was appointed governor of Fort St. George, Madras. He immediately began to implement his plans to expand British influence in India. He formed alliances with local rulers, and he built up a powerful army.

The Rivalry

The rivalry between Dupleix and Clive began in 1746, when the two men competed for control of the Carnatic, a region of southeastern India. Dupleix had formed an alliance with the nawab of the Carnatic, and Clive had formed an alliance with the nawab's rival.

The two men fought a series of battles, and Clive emerged victorious. In 1754, Dupleix was recalled to France, and Clive became the dominant figure in India.

The Legacy

The rivalry between Dupleix and Clive had a profound impact on the history of India. Clive's victory over Dupleix paved the way for the British conquest of India. The British Empire in India lasted for over 200 years, and it had a profound impact on the country's history, culture, and economy.

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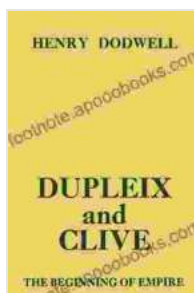
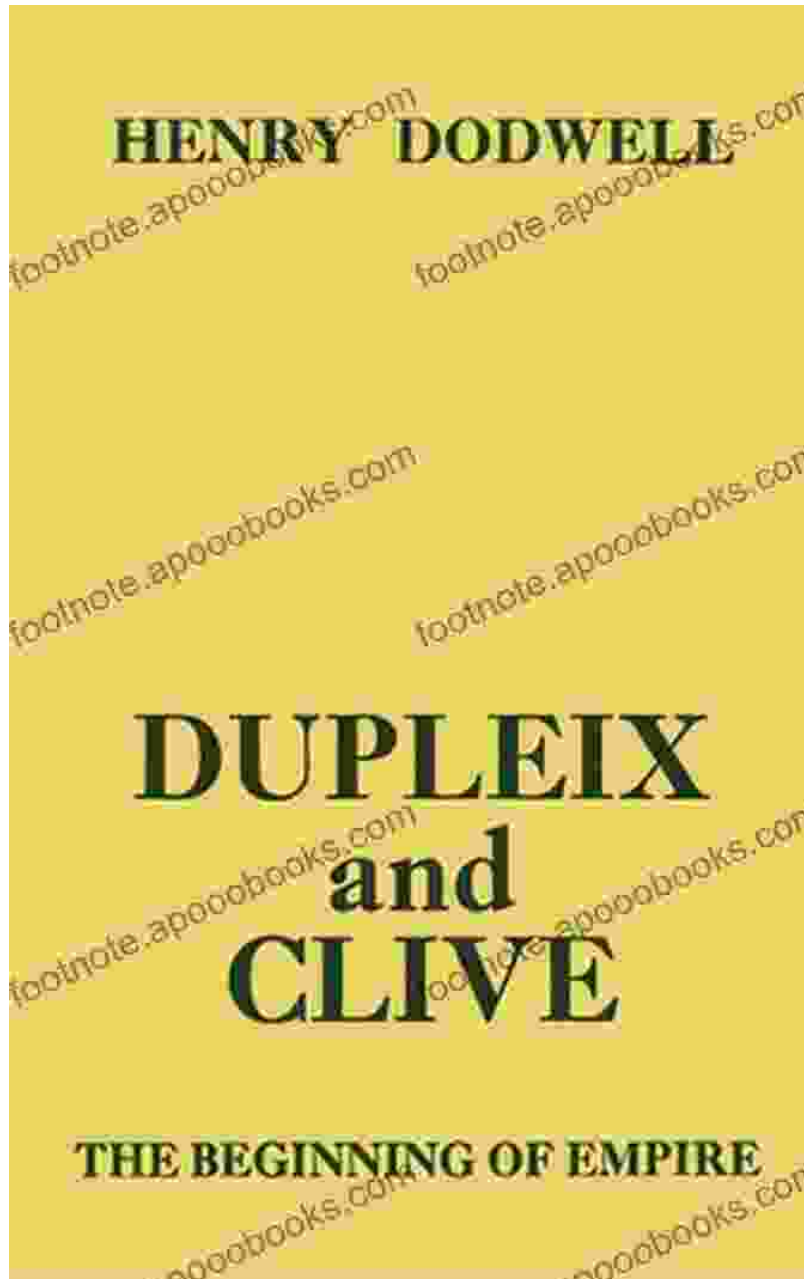
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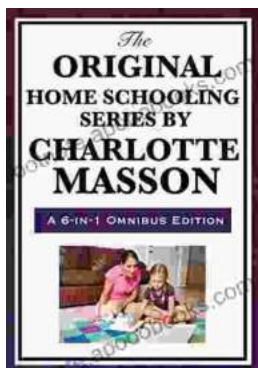
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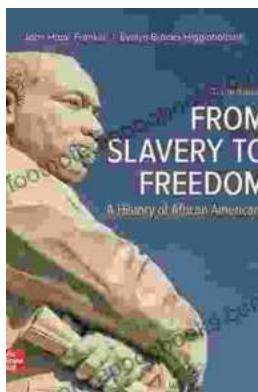
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