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## JESUS ALEJANDRO

*The Victorian Empire and Britain's Maritime World, 1837-1901* Oxford University Press  
 Two unlikely English heroes are swept up in an epic and bloody sea battle that will change history. 1571. Chained to a slave galley in the heart of the Mediterranean, it seems that English adventurers Ingoldsby and Hodge might have finally run out of luck. But they've survived worse, and as the men around them drop dead at their oars, they're determined to escape. By a miracle of fate, they find their way back to dry land and freedom - but unable to return home. With the Ottoman Empire set on strangling the crusading Christian power before it can take root, hostilities between East and West - Muslim and Christian - are vicious and deadly. And as the sun rises on one day in October, five hours of bloodshed will change the course of history. Once again, the two Englishmen find themselves living on borrowed time...

*Empires of the Sea* Pickle Partners Publishing

Banks defines and applies the concept of communications in a far broader context than previous historical studies of communication, encompassing a range of human activity from sailing routes, to mapping, to presses, to building roads and bridges. He employs a comparative analysis of early modern French imperialism, integrating three types of overseas possessions usually considered separately - the settlement colony (New France), the tropical monoculture colony (the French Windward Islands), and the early Enlightenment planned colony (Louisiana) - offering a work of synthesis that unites the historiographies and insights from three formerly separate historical literatures. Banks challenges the very notion that a concrete "empire" emerged by the first half of the eighteenth century; in fact, French colonies remained largely isolated arenas of action and development. Only with the contraction and concentration of overseas possessions after 1763 on the Plantation Complex did a more cohesive, if fleeting, French empire first emerge.

*The Routledge History of Western Empires* Oxford University Press

When Admiral Mahan passed away in 1914, his ideas and thoughts lived on in his writings, which spanned the naval strategy of his own times and the lessons learnt from history. They are still read today at the modern naval academies and the ideas permeate the teachings at Annapolis. A flag officer in the U.S. Navy who fought during the American civil war for the Union forces, his works have gained a fame that makes him the foremost of the naval historians of the late 1800's. As a continuation of his hugely admired and influential work, *The Influence of Sea Power Upon History, 1660-1783*, Admiral Mahan drew his considerable skill and critical eye to the naval operations of the French Revolution and Napoleonic Wars. As the conflict raged on land between the continental powers and France, Britain and the Royal Navy remained off the coast to provide a constant threat to French ambitions. Mahan draws the threads of the conflict together with his customary style and attention to detail to divine the methods and actions that led to the dominance of the Royal Navy during the period. This first volume concentrates on the actions of the French revolutionary period up to 1801 and the accession of Napoleon to a position of prime power. The skirmishes, battles and blockades are described in great detail and illustrated with numerous illustrations. A masterpiece by the foremost naval theorist - highly recommended. Author - Rear Admiral Alfred Thayer Mahan [27.09.2010 - 01.12.1914] Text taken, whole and complete, from the second edition published in 1894, Boston, by Little Brown Original Page Count - xxi and 380 pages. Illustrations — 10 maps and plans.

**The Black Sea** 50Minuten.de

Das Osmanische Reich war um 1500 das mächtigste Reich der Welt, dessen Herrschaftsgebiet sich

unter Sultan Selim nahezu verdreifachte. Der preisgekrönte amerikanische Historiker Alan Mikhail betrachtet in seinem meisterhaft erzählten Buch den Beginn der Neuzeit konsequent von diesem Reich und diesem Herrscher aus. Auf der Grundlage bisher vernachlässigter Quellen zeichnet er so ein ganz neues Bild von dieser Schlüsselepoch: Ohne die Osmanen hätten die Europäer nicht Amerika erobert, hätte es keine Reformation gegeben und keine Moderne. Selim I. "der Gestrenge" (1470 - 1520), osmanischer Sultan und Kalif aller Gläubigen, lebte in einer Welt im Umbruch. Mit der Eroberung Amerikas durch die Spanier begann nach landläufiger Meinung der "Aufstieg des Westens", mit der Reformation wurden mittelalterliche Denkweisen überwunden. Doch die eigentlich treibende Kraft dieser Veränderungen wurde bisher ausgeblendet: Erst das Vordringen des Osmanischen Reiches nach Westen zwang die Europäer ihrerseits weiter nach Westen in eine Neue Welt, wo sie ihren alten Kreuzzug gegen den Islam fortsetzten. Nicht zufällig kam es in Europa zur Glaubensspaltung, als Sultan Selim den sunnitischen Islam reformierte und sich der Graben zwischen Sunniten und Schiiten vertiefte. Alan Mikhail zeigt auf faszinierende Weise, wie sehr die Geschichte Europas und Amerikas mit der islamischen Welt verflochten ist. Ob wir es wollen oder nicht, die Welt, in der wir leben, ist eine sehr osmanische. Und diese Geschichte kann uns nur Sultan Selim erzählen.

**Throne of Glass - Die Sturmbezwingerin** UNC Press Books

Winner of Military History Monthly 's 2017 Book of the Year Award The Classis Britannica was the Roman regional fleet controlling and protecting the waters around the British Isles - in other words, Britain's first-ever navy. For over 200 years it played a key role in the northern frontiers of the Roman Empire: it helped to establish the province of Britannia and assisted in Roman military campaigns, as well as controlling the continental coast through to the Rhine Delta. Outside of war, the Classis Britannica also offered vital support for the civilian infrastructure of Roman Britain, assisting in administration, carrying out major building and engineering projects, and running industry. Later, its mysterious disappearance in the mid-third century ad would contribute to Britain finally leaving the Empire 150 years later. In *Sea Eagles of Empire*, acclaimed historian Simon Elliott tells its story for the very first time.

*Könige der Finsternis* OUP Oxford

Between the end of the Seven Years war in 1763, and the abolition of slavery within its Empire in 1833, Britain's maritime engagement with the wider world was transformed. The essays in this book explore different aspects of that transformation, and in so doing assess the significance and complexities of Britain's maritime world in this key period, which was characterized by the contradictory and competing forces of revolution and reaction, 'liberty' and imperialism, war and peace, enlightenment and enslavement. They were originally delivered as lectures in a series jointly sponsored by the Institute of Historical Research and by the Centre for Imperial and Maritime Studies at the National Maritime Museum.

*Empires of the Sea* Springer

The Routledge History of Western Empires is an all new volume focusing on the history of Western Empires in a comparative and thematic perspective. Comprising of thirty-three original chapters arranged in eight thematic sections, the book explores European overseas expansion from the Age of Discovery to the Age of Decolonisation. Studies by both well-known historians and new scholars offer fresh, accessible perspectives on a multitude of themes ranging from colonialism in the Arctic to the scramble for the coral sea, from attitudes to the environment in the East Indies to plans for colonial settlement in Australasia. Chapters examine colonial attitudes towards poisonous animals and the history of colonial medicine, evangelisation in Africa and Oceania, colonial recreation in the tropics and the tragedy of the slave trade. The Routledge History of Western Empires ranges over



five centuries and crosses continents and oceans highlighting transnational and cross-cultural links in the imperial world and underscoring connections between colonial history and world history. Through lively and engaging case studies, contributors not only weigh in on historiographical debates on themes such as human rights, religion and empire, and the 'taproots' of imperialism, but also illustrate the various approaches to the writing of colonial history. A vital contribution to the field.

*Constantinople Library of Alexandria*

In *Conquerors*, New York Times bestselling author Roger Crowley gives us the epic story of the emergence of Portugal, a small, poor nation that enjoyed a century of maritime supremacy thanks to the daring and navigational skill of its explorers—a tactical advantage no other country could match. Portugal's discovery of a sea route to India, campaign of imperial conquest over Muslim rulers, and domination of the spice trade would forever disrupt the Mediterranean and build the first global economy. Crowley relies on letters and eyewitness testimony to tell the story of tiny Portugal's rapid and breathtaking rise to power. *Conquerors* reveals the Império Português in all of its splendor and ferocity, bringing to life the personalities of the enterprising and fanatical house of Aviz. Figures such as King Manuel "the Fortunate," João II "the Perfect Prince," marauding governor Afonso de Albuquerque, and explorer Vasco da Gama juggled their private ambitions and the public aims of the empire, often suffering astonishing losses in pursuit of a global fortune. Also central to the story of Portugal's ascent was its drive to eradicate Islamic culture and establish a Christian empire in the Indian Ocean. Portuguese explorers pushed deep into the African continent in search of the mythical Christian King Prester John, and they ruthlessly besieged Indian port cities in their attempts to monopolize trade. The discovery of a route to India around the horn of Africa was not only a brilliant breakthrough in navigation but heralded a complete upset of the world order. For the next century, no European empire was more ambitious, no rulers more rapacious than the kings of Portugal. In the process they created the first long-range maritime empire and set in motion the forces of globalization that now shape our world. At Crowley's hand, the complete story of the Portuguese empire and the human cost of its ambition can finally be told. Praise for *Conquerors* "Excellent . . . Crowley's interpretations are nuanced and fair."—The Christian Science Monitor "In a riveting narrative, Crowley chronicles Portugal's horrifically violent trajectory from 'impoverished, marginal' nation to European power, vying with Spain and Venice to dominate the spice trade."—Kirkus Reviews (starred review) "Brings to life the Portuguese explorers . . . perfect for anyone who likes a high seas tale."—Publishers Weekly "Readers of Crowley's previous books will not be disappointed by this exciting tale of sea battles, land campaigns and shipwrecks. . . . Crowley makes a good case for reclaiming Portugal's significance as forger of the first global empire."—The Daily Telegraph "Crowley has shown a rare gift for combining compelling narrative with lightly worn academic thoroughness as well as for balancing the human with the geopolitical—qualities on display here. The story he has to tell may be a thrilling one but not every historian could tell it so thrillingly."—Michael Prodger, Financial Times "A fast-moving and highly readable narrative . . . [Crowley's] detailed reconstruction of events is based on a close reading of the works of the chroniclers, notably Barros and Correa, whose accounts were written in the tradition of the chronicles of chivalry."—History Today

*Conquerors* Cambridge University Press

Es ist nicht lange her, da war Prinz Roger MacClintock nichts weiter als ein unausstehlicher Stutzer. Das galt jedenfalls für die Zeit, bevor er mit seiner Leibwache auf Marduk notlanden musste. Bevor er und die Marines des Bronze-Bataillons gezwungen waren, der höllischen Hitze eines Dschungels zu trotzen, in dem es bis zu sechs Stunden täglich regnet ... während der Trockenzeit. Bevor sie um den halben Planeten marschierten, auf dem es einen Ozean voller riesiger Ungeheuer und unzählige andere Gefahren gibt. Unter den rechten Umständen reift selbst das verzogenste Balg schnell zu einem richtigen Erwachsenen heran. Und tatsächlich: Prinz Roger beweist immer mehr, dass er ein wahrer MacClintock ist, ein Nachfahre der grossen Kriegerdynastie. Die Marines, die ihn schützen sollen, stellen fest, dass sie an ihn glauben können. Und sie sind entschlossen, ihn mit heiler Haut von Marduk fortzubringen.

**Devils on the Deep Blue Sea** McGill-Queen's Press - MQUP

Reproduction of the original: *The Influence of Sea Power upon the French Revolution and Empire 1793-1812*, Vol II (of 2) by Alfred Thayer Mahan

*Over Land and Sea* Faber & Faber

Alfred Thayer Mahan (1840-1914) was a US Navy officer and author of influential marine history and strategy books. His work *The Influence of Sea Power upon History*, published in 1890, established the modern US Navy doctrine of maritime predominance: the higher the naval power of a country, the greater its global impact. Mahan's concepts of naval war tactics were adapted by many navies all over the world. Similar to his other works, *The Influence of Sea Power upon the French Revolution and Empire 1793-1812* analyzes how historical events and developments determine who controls the seas. It focuses on British and French naval tactics during the French Revolution and the Napoleonic Wars. Reprint of the original edition from 1892. Volume 1 of 2.

*The Influence of Sea Power upon the French Revolution and Empire 1793-1812 (Complete)*

Bloomsbury Publishing

When first asked to undertake that duty, the question naturally arose how to impart to the subject of Naval History an aspect which, in this very utilitarian age, should not be open to the ready reproach of having merely archæological interest, and possessing no practical value for men called upon to use the changed materials of modern naval war. "You won't have much to say about history," was then the somewhat discouraging comment of a senior officer of his own service. In pondering this matter, it occurred to the author—whose acquaintance with naval history was at that time wholly superficial—that the part played by navies, and by maritime power generally, as a factor in the results of history, and as shaping the destinies of nations and of the world, had received little or no particular attention. If this were so, an analysis of the course of events through a series of years, directed to show the influence of Sea Power upon History, would at least serve to imbue his hearers with an exalted sense of the mission of their calling; and might also, by throwing light upon the political bearings of naval force, contribute to give the service and the country a more definite impression of the necessity to provide a fleet adequate to great undertakings, lest, if an occasion should arise for what he has ventured to call "statesmanship directing arms," we should be found unprepared, through having no sufficient armed force to direct. In avowing this as the original, and, for a time at least, almost the sole motive of his work, the author practically confesses that he at the beginning had no scientific appreciation or reasoned knowledge of the naval history of the past. Upon giving this the attention required by his new duties, and collating the various incidents with the teachings of recognized authorities upon land warfare, he soon came to recognize that the principles which they claimed to be of general application in their own specialty received also ample and convincing illustration in naval annals; although the development of the Art of War at sea has been slower, and is now less advanced, than on shore. This backward result has been due, partly, to uncertainties peculiar to the sea, and partly to a contempt for the study of the past, and of its experience, as "not practical," from which the naval profession has not yet wholly rid itself. Thus, in its course, the author's former work, without abandoning its first simple motive, expanded into an attempt to analyze the strategic conduct of the naval campaigns, as well as the tactical features of

the various battles—all too few—in which any clear tactical purpose was shown by the commanders engaged. The cordial reception given to the work by his professional brethren, in Great Britain as well as at home, has been to him not only most gratifying, but wholly unexpected. Its chief significance is, however, not personal. The somewhat surprised satisfaction testified is virtually an admission that, in the race for material and mechanical development, sea-officers as a class have allowed their attention to be unduly diverted from the systematic study of the Conduct of War, which is their peculiar and main concern. For, if the commendation bestowed be at all deserved, it is to be ascribed simply to the fact that the author has been led to give to the most important part of the profession an attention which it is in the power of any other officer to bestow, but which too few actually do.

*Empire of the Seas* Deutscher Taschenbuch Verlag

A wide-ranging new survey of the role of the sea in Britain's global presence in the 19th century.

Mostly at peace, but sometimes at war, Britain grew as a maritime empire in the Victorian era. This collection looks at British sea-power as a strategic, moral and cultural force.

**Gottes Schatten** BRILL

What is commonly called the kingdom of Pontos flourished for over two hundred years in the coastal regions of the Black Sea. At its peak in the early first century BC, it included much of the southern, eastern, and northern littoral, becoming one of the most important Hellenistic dynasties not founded by a successor of Alexander the Great. It also posed one of the greatest challenges to Roman imperial expansion in the east. Not until 63 BC, after many violent clashes, was Rome able to subjugate the kingdom and its last charismatic ruler Mithridates VI. This book provides a general history of this important kingdom from its mythic origins in Greek literature (e.g., Jason and the Golden Fleece) to its entanglements with the late republic of Rome. Roller discusses its rulers as well as the Romans and others who interacted with them and opposed them. He addresses social and cultural issues, including the attitude of the traditional Greek states and other eastern kingdoms, economic issues such as depopulation and land exhaustion, and—especially in the latter years of the dynasty—the changing and indeed endless internal problems in Rome itself that would come to drive or even overpower events in the field. Previous histories of this era are varied in their focus and quality. Needless to say, much of the interest has been directed to the final and most famous member of the dynasty, Mithridates VI (120-63 BC); this book explores the entire kingdom and its rich history. *Empire of the Black Sea* is an engaging and accessible history of a forgotten reign.

**Sea Eagles of Empire** Random House

Excerpt from *Canada and Sea Power* One of the grave questions now before us is, What is the duty of Canada to the world upon the sea? Soon - perhaps all too soon - the thoughts of the people will descend from the realm of airy speculation and become incarnated into national action. It is a fearful thing to think that the course steered by Canada in this sea of doubt may mean the downfall of Empires. Or our ship of state may be a pilot leading other nations into yet uncharted but less troubled waters. If ever there was a time when we should ask Him, to whom the sovereignty of the sea belongs, for wisdom and open-mindedness, that time is now. We shall do well if we first empty ourselves of our prejudice in order that enough of this wisdom may flow in to lead us to a safe decision. Every lover of his country should seek to get at this truth at whatever cost to national pride. It is thus that we may serve the best interests of the world, for the British Empire is not worth preserving unless it is a faithful trustee for a better ordered civilization. About the Publisher *Forgotten Books* publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at [www.forgottenbooks.com](http://www.forgottenbooks.com) This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. *Forgotten Books* uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully; any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works.

**Maritime Power and the Law of the Sea** Hachette UK

Einst war Clay Cooper Mitglied der gefürchtetsten Söldnertruppe im ganzen Land. Kein Ungeheuer, das nicht von ihnen besiegt wurde. Keine Jungfrau in Nöten, die nicht von ihnen gerettet wurde. Inzwischen liegen die Heldentage lange hinter Clay - er hat eine Familie, arbeitet bei der Stadtwache. Dann steht eines Tages sein Freund Gabriel vor der Tür und bittet Clay um Hilfe bei einer Mission, der sich nur die tapfersten Krieger anschließen würden - oder die dümmsten: Gabriel will die alten Gefährten zusammenschließen und in ein neues Abenteuer ziehen. Doch ein Held zu sein, ist heutzutage gar nicht mehr so einfach wie früher ...

*Konstantinopel 1453* Springer

A detailed discussion of British and French naval strategies used during the French Revolution, first published in 1893.

*The Influence of Sea Power upon the French Revolution and Empire, 1793-1812* The History Press 'Engagingly fresh and vivid . . . The 21-year-old Mehmet [the Ottoman Sultan] emerges from this book as ruthless but innovative, irascible but versatile and, above all, indefatigable - a worthy successor to Alexander and the Roman emperors he admired as much as any Muslim hero.' Malise Ruthven, Sunday Times In the spring of 1453, the Ottoman Turks advanced on Constantinople in pursuit of an ancient Islamic dream: capturing the thousand-year-old capital of Christian Byzantium. During the siege that followed, a small band of defenders, outnumbered ten to one, confronted the might of the Ottoman army in an epic contest fought on land, sea and underground. 'In this account of the 1453 siege, written in crackling prose by former Istanbul resident Roger Crowley - his first book and not, I hope, his last - we are treated to narrative history at its most enthralling.'

Christopher Silvester, Daily Express 'A vivid and readable account of the siege . . . [And] an excellent traveller's guide to how and why Istanbul became a Muslim city.' Philip Mansel, Guardian

**Command of the Sea** Europaischer Hochschulverlag GmbH & Company Kg

The sacrifice of many is worth the salvation of any. As the mighty Sealord and his twisted general tighten their grip on the Kingdom of the Sea, their eyes turn to distant horizons... to empire. Kettle, suffering under the yoke of the Sealord, desperately seeks a way to save her captured family and break the bonds of a tyrant... Iliana, struggling as the people she loves the most test her loyalty, journeys into the frozen north on a critical mission for her father? Jace, alone and adrift, discovers unexpected allies in a group of broken experiments, all the while fighting against a cryptic call from deep within the earth? Bastian, searching for his lost brother, is embroiled in a deadly contest with a shadowy group led by a mysterious Khal? Four fated souls are swept into a conflict beyond their reckoning that will determine the shape-or existence-of the world to come.

*The Empire of the Sea* Heyne Verlag

This new book, a tie-in to a major BBC TV series presented by Dan Snow, is written by one of the nation's foremost naval historians, and tells the story of how the Royal Navy shaped the politics, culture and economy of Britain, leaving its imprint on everything from our landscape, to our democracy and even our very identity. At its peak, it became the driving force behind the spread of a system of values which would change the world forever. And then it lost it all. In "Empire of the Seas", Brian Lavery re-injects the romance into Britain's seafaring past. He discusses the hidden human stories behind the celebrated sea-battles and also provides a warts-and-all expose of the darker chapters in the Navy's past, including its role in slavery and the spread of disease. The book

is illustrated with a superlative collection of artworks and photographs from the National Maritime Museum, the Royal Naval Museum and private collections.

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