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PIECES TO PEACE is a poetic account of Laila's journey of self-discovery in Toronto as a 26-year-old Afghan-Muslim woman living on her own for the first time. It is her story of pursuing her dreams while coping with personal issues of grief, trauma, poverty, cultural identity and belonging. Laila is a woman in becoming as she rebuilds herself through poetry from pieces to peace.

Thank you very much for getting started with this book! You are reading this now because I hope you have the chance to feel the love, peace, and joy I feel. If you read one chapter each day, you might be amazed before you are halfway through! You get 28 chapters in this book designed to be read one day at a time in the morning, throughout the day, or at night. I do this myself each day and share in my voice what I am learning in my daily journey of being the best person I can be today. Here are the titles for the 28 chapters in this book. From reading these, you can get a great idea of what this book will help you with! 1. Amazing things happen in appreciating the now. 2. How to thrive by taking your own advice. 3. Are you praying for help? You will receive it. 4. How to deal with uncertainty when you don't know. 5. Take your pick: choosing to be happy or sad. 6. How to take responsibility for your emotions and thrive. 7. How to tackle your problems right now. 8. Achieving happiness with positive affirmations every day. 9. Feeling tired? Create an uplifting daily self-care routine. 10. What could you gain from slowing down life? 11. How to continue consistent persistence every day. 12. Do you appreciate what you have today? 13. The benefits of sharing problems with others. 14. One easy solution to improving your mood. 15. How a daily prayer affirmation can improve your life. 16. Reality in the downside of wishful thinking. 17. You do make a unique impact in life. 18. Time travel is real - go backwards or forwards in time to appreciate now. 19. How can I love the people already in my life? 20. The key to overcoming fear with faith. 21. How to enjoy the journey as much as the destination. 22. Happiness challenge: how to master your mindfulness while sick. 23. Gaining peace in accepting your circumstances. 24. Perfect positioning: the right place at the right time in life. 25. How to treat emotional pain by eliminating physical pain. 26. Getting things done: how to get started on your goals. 27. How to simplify your lifestyle and have more than before. 28. How to be optimistic about death. Thank you for reading this book and I hope you enjoy it as much as I did creating it! Sincerely, Jerry Banfield

We are in trouble. Church attendance has dropped, spiritual life in our services has ebbed and we face a serious lack of people preparing for the ministry. Perhaps most alarming is that we have failed to reach or keep our youth. The Sunday school rooms and youth groups of many churches have no real hope or strategy in place to bring them in. Beyond this, dozens of churches close each week never to reopen, while just a few new ones are started. Without some real changes in these areas we will lose our Christian influence in this nation almost entirely in the very near future. Certainly God has not planned for the failure of His church.

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Written by Michael Hart, host of the popular weekday Talk Radio program, The Michael Hart Show, UNKNOWN AMERICA, Myths and little known oddities about the greatest nation on earth, reveals some of the most fascinating, obscure, and even overlooked facts and common myths about the greatest nation on earth. In this book you will discover amazing and little known facts and trivia about America, and learn about people and places that the history books have either forgotten, or completely overlooked. In UNKNOWN AMERICA you will learn: \*Why portraits of the Declaration of Independence are completely wrong \*Which is the only state to have 3 Governors in a single day \*About the slave that sued for her freedom, and won! \*Who "really" invented the airplane \*Which US President had a dog named Satan \*Strange strategies and plans used by the US Military \*About the slave that owned slaves \*The role IBM may have played in the Holocaust \*America's only Gay President \*America's first female President \*Why the Rosa Parks Story is all wrong \*What Presidential hopeful wanted John Wayne to be his VP Running mate \*Why July 4th is not our Independence day, and what day really is ...And so much more

The collapse of US global hegemony means that the future of global relations will be defined by an integrated and mutually co-operative world order of regions in which there are multiple centres of power. These centres will continue to mature under the ideology of 'regionalism' and through the long historical process of 'regionalization'.

The political history of the American experience in World War I is a story of conflict and bungled intentions that begins in an era dedicated to progressive social reform and ends in the Red Scare and Prohibition. Thomas Fleming tells this story through the complex figure of Woodrow Wilson, the contradictory president who wept after declaring war, devastated because he knew it would destroy the tolerance of the American people, but who then suppressed freedom of speech and used propaganda to excite America into a Hun-hating mob. This is tragic history: inexperienced American military leaders drove their troops into gruesome slaughters; progressive politics were put on hold in America; an idealistic president's dreams were crushed because of his own negligence. Wilson's inability to convince Congress to ratify U.S. membership in the League of Nations was one of the most poignant failures in the history of the American presidency, but even more heartrending were Wilson's concessions to his bitter allies in the Treaty of Versailles. In exchange for Allied support of the League of Nations, he allowed an unfair peace treaty to be signed, a treaty that played no small role in the rise of National Socialism and the outbreak of World War II. Thomas Fleming has once again created a masterpiece of narrative American history. This incomparable portrait shows how Wilson sacrificed his noble vision to megalomania and single-mindedness, while paying homage to him as a visionary whose honorable spirit continues to influence Western politics.

Thalakada argues that the principal purpose of US alliances have shifted since the end of the Cold War from containing communist expansionism (balance of power) to preserving and exercising US power (management of power). He also looks across all US alliances highlighting the trend from regionally-based to more globally-active alliances.

Inspired by The School for The Work with Byron Katie ([www.thework.com](http://www.thework.com)), where he found the true line of his innerpeace, Costa became an international presenter and facilitator for individual healing and interpersonal reconciliation. The Work That Brings Peace in Methe name of his book and of his presentation teaches much how to live The Present by questioning our mind.

In a provocative book about American hegemony, Christopher Layne outlines his belief that U.S. foreign policy has been consistent in its aims for more than sixty years and that the current Bush administration clings to mid-twentieth-century tactics--to no good effect. What should the nation's grand strategy look like for the next several decades? The end of the cold war profoundly

and permanently altered the international landscape, yet we have seen no parallel change in the aims and shape of U.S. foreign policy. *The Peace of Illusions* intervenes in the ongoing debate about American grand strategy and the costs and benefits of American empire. Layne urges the desirability of a strategy he calls offshore balancing: rather than wield power to dominate other states, the U.S. government should engage in diplomacy to balance large states against one another. The United States should intervene, Layne asserts, only when another state threatens, regionally or locally, to destroy the established balance. Drawing on extensive archival research, Layne traces the form and aims of U.S. foreign policy since 1940, examining alternatives foregone and identifying the strategic aims of different administrations. His offshore-balancing notion, if put into practice with the goal of extending the American Century, would be a sea change in current strategy. Layne has much to say about present-day governmental decision making, which he examines from the perspectives of both international relations theory and American diplomatic history.

From a noted historian and foreign-policy analyst, a groundbreaking critique of the troubling symbiosis between Washington and the human rights movement *The United States* has long been hailed as a powerful force for global human rights. Now, drawing on thousands of documents from the CIA, the National Security Council, the Pentagon, and development agencies, James Peck shows in blunt detail how Washington has shaped human rights into a potent ideological weapon for purposes having little to do with rights—and everything to do with furthering America's global reach. Using the words of Washington's leaders when they are speaking among themselves, Peck tracks the rise of human rights from its dismissal in the cold war years as "fuzzy minded" to its calculated adoption, after the Vietnam War, as a rationale for American foreign engagement. He considers such milestones as the fight for Soviet dissidents, Tiananmen Square, and today's war on terror, exposing in the process how the human rights movement has too often failed to challenge Washington's strategies. A gripping and elegant work of analysis, *Ideal Illusions* argues that the movement must break free from Washington if it is to develop a truly uncompromising critique of power in all its forms.

This book illuminates the evolution of Quaker war tax resistance in America, as told by those who resisted and those who debated the limits of the Quaker peace testimony where it applied to taxpaying. Among the writers featured in this documentary history are Isaac Sharpless, Thomas Story, William Penn, James Logan, Benjamin Franklin, John Woolman, John Churchman, James Pemberton, Joshua Evans, Anthony Benezet, Job Scott, Warner Mifflin, Timothy Davis, James Mott, Isaac Grey, Samuel Allinson, Moses Brown, Stephen B. Weeks, Rufus Hall, Gouverneur Morris, Elias Hicks, Joshua Maule, and Cyrus G. Pringle.

This book is designed as a workbook to help you overcome self defeating behavior. It explores some of the ways that you may have contracted the limiting, deep seated beliefs that are keeping you stuck in negative patterns. It is presented in a humorous and somewhat sagacious way, which gets "in your face" and makes you think. This work touches on many of the world religions, just enough to help you understand how they, along with parental and peer pressures have led you to think and act the way you do. It also looks at the possibility of soul choices and karma and even alien influences as a reason for you actions. Above all it gives you tools you can use to rethink your deepest beliefs thereby recreate your reality, regardless of where it came from.

Pointing to the horizon where the sea and sky are joined, he says, 'It is only an illusion because they can't really meet, but isn't it beautiful, this union which isn't really there.' -- SAADAT HASAN MANTO Sometime in 2016, a series of dialogues took place which set out to find a meeting ground, even if only an illusion, between A.S. Dulat and Asad Durrani. One was a former chief of RAW, India's external intelligence agency, the other of ISI, its Pakistani counterpart. As they could not meet in their home countries, the conversations, guided by journalist Aditya Sinha, took place in cities like Istanbul, Bangkok and Kathmandu. On the table were subjects that have long haunted South Asia, flashpoints that take lives regularly. It was in all ways a deep dive into the politics of the subcontinent, as seen through the eyes of two spymasters. Among the subjects: Kashmir, and a missed opportunity for peace; Hafiz Saeed and 26/11; Kulbhushan Jadhav; surgical strikes; the deal for Osama bin Laden; how the US and Russia feature in the India-Pakistan relationship; and how terror undermines the two countries' attempts at talks. When the project was first mooted, General Durrani laughed and said nobody would believe it even if it was written as fiction. At a time of fraught relations, this unlikely dialogue between two former spy chiefs from opposite sides--a project that is the first of its kind--may well provide some answers.

This book analyses security strategies in the American world order, systematically comparing Russian, Middle Eastern and European policies. The main finding is that the loss of relative power has decisive importance for the security strategies of states, but that particular strategies can only be explained when relative power is combined with ideology and the probability of military conflict. Research on the unipolar world order has focused largely on the general dynamics of the system and the actions of the American unipole. By contrast, this book focuses on states that lost out relatively as a consequence of unipolarity, and seeks to explain how this loss has affected their security strategies. Thus, in essence, the book tells 'the other side of the story' about the contemporary world order. In addition, it makes an important theoretical contribution by systematically coupling relative ideology and relative security with relative power and exploring their explanatory value. This book will be of great interest to students of international relations, security studies and foreign policy.

Human rights in peace and development are accepted throughout the Global South as established, normative, and beyond debate. Only in the powerful elite sectors of the Global North have these rights been resisted and refuted. The policies and interests of these global forces are antithetical to advancing human rights, ending global poverty, and respecting the sovereign integrity of States and governments throughout the Global South. The link between poverty, war, and environmental degradation has become evident over the last 60 years, further augmenting international consciousness of these issues as interconnected with the rest of the human rights corpus. This book examines the history of this struggle and outlines practical means to implement these rights through a global framework of constitutional protections. Within this emerging framework, it argues that States will be increasingly obligated to formulate policies and programs to achieve peace and development throughout the global society.

A time to reflect on my seventy years of life. Maybe some folks will be interested in my life and the folks I have met, or maybe not. This is a non-traditional memoir, filled with alphabetical vignettes not chronological ones. I have made a foray into fiction with an

asterisk: in those cases where I have marked the vignette as fictional, it might be 100 percent not true, but in many cases I knew of, was part of, or heard from others about the story itself. At any rate, the entire book is my recollection of things past, and as in all recollections, the more distant the memory the clearer the details.

ABOUT THE BOOK Since the terrorist attack of September 11th America has been filled with clouds of evil. They have darkened our reason and covered us with ashes of anger. How do we sort out our feelings of revenge and retaliation with those of understanding, compassion and love? Some of us believe knowledge of American history will give us the insight and maturity that we need to help our nation through this war on terrorism. We need to understand the basic principles of democracy and freedom to know what we have fought for in the past and what we fight for now. Americans need to rededicate themselves to the cause of freedom to face the future. Freedom should not be taken for granted because there are those who would take it from us. We need to understand that some governments terrorize and abuse their people. These governments intentionally control their people by keeping them oppressed and ignorant. The history of our country is great but as Thomas Jefferson warned: "If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, it expects what never was and never will be." A recent alarming ACTA report which polled seniors at the nation's top 55 colleges indicates that we have a generation of Americans who are historically illiterate. The survey revealed that almost half would fail the basic test in American history required for immigrants who seek citizenship in the United States.

American Symbols For Schools has the common information about the different state flowers, birds and trees as well as information about the many new symbols which the states have enacted which includes their scientific names and dates of inception it also includes the active and colorful history of each state and interesting facts and trivia about the states. This special commemorative Civics and History reference book also contains the American Symbols Collection (flags, seals and more than 150 photographs of American symbols), National symbols, History, National Parks, Places of Interest, Tourist Information, United We Stand Anthem, Song and Bookmark. Editorial Reviews From the Author As author of this keepsake edition I have taken great care in compiling this information to insure its value to you in your library. I sincerely hope you enjoy reading American Symbols For Schools as much as I enjoyed writing it. Debbie Sennett

James Michael Wine weaves a personal journey of learning, at turns humorous, political, poetic and insightful, as he claims that Sweden is probably the best country on Earth. Love brought him to the North, but it was the use of "Sweden" as a code word for something notorious or evil during the 2008 US presidential election - which no doubt will be used again in 2012 - that triggered this book. Digging through his life in the two cultures for reasons behind this code, Wine comes across a Swedish fact so mind-boggling to his American mind that it compels him to explore this moment on the planet and how each country grapples with the momentous challenges never before faced by civilization.

Transforming NATO: New Allies, Missions and Capabilities, by Ivan Dinev Ivanov, reveals that in order to understand the complexity of NATO's transformation, one must explore the management of allied relations through two mutually reinforcing theoretical lenses: club goods theory and the concept of complementarities. The findings of this research have implications for

international security, alliance management, NATO politics, transatlantic relations, and broader international relations theory. One of the most acclaimed books of our time—the definitive Vietnam War exposé and the winner of the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award. When he came to Vietnam in 1962, Lieutenant Colonel John Paul Vann was the one clear-sighted participant in an enterprise riddled with arrogance and self-deception, a charismatic soldier who put his life and career on the line in an attempt to convince his superiors that the war should be fought another way. By the time he died in 1972, Vann had embraced the follies he once decried. He died believing that the war had been won. In this magisterial book, a monument of history and biography that was awarded the National Book Award and the Pulitzer Prize for Nonfiction, a renowned journalist tells the story of John Vann—"the one irreplaceable American in Vietnam"—and of the tragedy that destroyed a country and squandered so much of America's young manhood and resources.

A thought-provoking and penetrating account of the post-Cold war follies and delusions that culminated in the age of Donald Trump from the bestselling author of *The Limits of Power*. When the Cold War ended with the fall of the Berlin Wall, the Washington establishment felt it had prevailed in a world-historical struggle. Our side had won, a verdict that was both decisive and irreversible. For the world's "indispensable nation," its "sole superpower," the future looked very bright. History, having brought the United States to the very summit of power and prestige, had validated American-style liberal democratic capitalism as universally applicable. In the decades to come, Americans would put that claim to the test. They would embrace the promise of globalization as a source of unprecedented wealth while embarking on wide-ranging military campaigns to suppress disorder and enforce American values abroad, confident in the ability of U.S. forces to defeat any foe. Meanwhile, they placed all their bets on the White House to deliver on the promise of their Cold War triumph: unequaled prosperity, lasting peace, and absolute freedom. In *The Age of Illusions*, bestselling author Andrew Bacevich takes us from that moment of seemingly ultimate victory to the age of Trump, telling an epic tale of folly and delusion. Writing with his usual eloquence and vast knowledge, he explains how, within a quarter of a century, the United States ended up with gaping inequality, permanent war, moral confusion, and an increasingly angry and alienated population, as well, of course, as the strangest president in American history.

Think It Can't Happen Here? Think Again: Operation Vigilant Eagle HR 347 Million Vet March IRS Targeting Bundy Ranch Ferguson Patriot Act Partisanship is on the rise, the economy is in a downward spiral, and there is a steady erosion of civil liberties. These factors all contribute to a plotline that is as unthinkable as it is inevitable. A Second American Civil War. From the backroom deals in Washington D.C. to the front lines of the battlefield. Daugherty offers an unflinching view of how a modern war on American soil would play out. A nightmare scenario which will come true.

The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan convinced many policymakers and scholars that the United States should pull back in international affairs and that restraint should guide grand strategy. Paul D. Miller offers a tough-minded critique of this trending body of thought, arguing that US security in fact depends on active, sustained support of the international liberal order. Miller blends academic rigor with his experiences as former Director for Afghanistan and Pakistan on the National Security Council to

offer conservative internationalist prescriptions for US grand strategy. Dismissing claims of overextended US resources and perceived safety, Miller argues that nuclear autocracies, armed non-state actors, failed states, and the transnational jihadist movement still pose immense threats to American security and the international system. His analysis offers policy options for balancing against the nuclear autocracies, championing liberalism to maintain the balance of power in its favor, targeting militant non-state actors, investing in governance in weak and failed states, and strengthening homeland security. As Miller shows, these necessary steps will fortify the international liberal order that forms the outer perimeter of American security—and aid US efforts to craft a more just peace among nations.

A challenge to long-held assumptions about the costs and benefits of America's allies. Since the Revolutionary War, the United States has entered into dozens of alliances with international powers to protect its assets and advance its security interests. America's Entangling Alliances offers a corrective to long-held assumptions about US foreign policy and is relevant to current public and academic debates about the costs and benefits of America's allies. Author Jason W. Davidson examines these alliances to shed light on their nature and what they reveal about the evolution of American power. He challenges the belief that the nation resists international alliances, showing that this has been true in practice only when using a narrow definition of alliance. While there have been more alliances since World War II than before it, US presidents and Congress have viewed it in the country's best interest to enter into a variety of security arrangements over virtually the entire course of the country's history. By documenting thirty-four alliances—categorized as defense pacts, military coalitions, or security partnerships—Davidson finds that the US demand for allies is best explained by looking at variance in its relative power and the threats it has faced.

"A trenchant and often pugnacious demolition of the numerous misconceptions about strategic thinking on the Middle East" -The New York Times Now updated with a new chapter on the current climate, *Myths, Illusions, and Peace* addresses why the United States has consistently failed to achieve its strategic goals in the Middle East. According to Dennis Ross-special advisor to President Obama and senior director at the National Security Council for that region-and policy analyst David Makovsky, it is because we have repeatedly fallen prey to dangerous myths about this part of the world-myths with roots that reach back decades yet persist today. Clearly articulated and accessible, *Myths, Illusions, and Peace* captures the reality of the problems in the Middle East like no book has before. It presents a concise and far-reaching set of principles that will help America set an effective course of action in the region, and in so doing secure a safer future for all Americans.

At the time of America's 2003 invasion of Iraq, the term "neoconservative" was enjoying wide currency. To this day, it remains a term that engenders much debate and visceral reaction. The purpose of this book is to critically engage with a

set of ideas and beliefs that define the neoconservative approach to American foreign policy, and illuminate many of the core foreign policy debates that have taken place within the United States over the past several years during the administrations of both George W. Bush and Barack Obama. There is certainly no consensus on how neoconservatism should be defined or thought about. While authors attempt to define neoconservatism in a number of different ways, none adopt a thematic approach that can enable readers to appreciate the contributions of an intellectual community whose ideas will be forever attached to America's decision to go to war against Iraq. This book, therefore, defines neoconservatism through the ideas and beliefs of its leading intellectual activists, casting light on the worldview of one of America's most important and polarizing intellectual communities. Exploring the historical significance of this ongoing movement and its impact on American foreign policy traditions, this work provides a significant contribution to the literature and will be of great interest to all scholars of foreign policy, American politics and American history.

Now a classic, this is the fundamental text for those seeking a "Spiritual Understanding of Nature on the Basis of Goethe's Method of Training Observation and Thought." Working out of a detailed history of science, Lehrs reveals to the reader not only how science has been inescapably led to the illusions it holds today, but more importantly, how the reader may correct in himself these misconceptions brought into his world view through modern education.

Discusses the possible reasons behind the failure to achieve peace in the Middle East, focusing on the misguided efforts made by the United States and the common fallacies about the politics of the region.

Hairnigans. Friendship. Big Dreams. The previously scheduled life Maya Hatton planned has been interrupted for an emergency broadcast announcement. A news station manager threatens to destroy over twenty years of brand and image building with a new contract from hell. Her husband Roddreccus moved into the rental property and refuses to move home without explanation. Instead of finding confidence, fun, and freedom as she enters her mid-fifties she's faced with crises. Fans believed she had it all together but her dream team lost a member, a villain hijacked her fairy tale marriage and now she needs to remember how to be the Maya everyone thinks she is or lose the best thing she ever had. Natural Sistahs series is written by an African American author whose chosen her natural hair since 1998. While one of many indie published black authors she considers her books appropriate for the women's fiction category though most would be shelved in the black fiction, black books, African American women's fiction, or black women's fiction section in most physical bookstores.

This is a memoir presented in an anthological - like format; in other words, a collection of short stories, on the life of the author. It starts when he was growing up in the Philippine countryside of Ilocos Sur province. Just like a normal kid, he played with his friends, did crazy things, went to school and moved to Manila, for his college education. He got married

while in fifth year college, but still graduated on time. This book relates his struggles, failures, as well as successes, including his coming to America. Searching for the American Dream was no picnic either, but with perseverance, he achieved some of them in modest ways. Foreigners planning to immigrate to the great ol' USA could get glimpses, on what it takes, to come and live in America.

A harrowing exploration of the collapse of American diplomacy and the abdication of global leadership, by the winner of the 2018 Pulitzer Prize in Public Service.

When many Americans hear that the US may go to war against another nation, they tend to believe there's probably a good reason for it or that no viable alternatives exist or they don't think about it at all. They trust their leaders to represent them and defend their values. They accept their leaders' claims that war is to ensure their safety when others wish to harm them. The parties of war play on Americans' basic values to bring them online. The media reassures them that the reasons for war are altruistic that Americans wish to spread democracy and allow others to adopt their way of life. But is this the case? With 24 compelling illustrations, maps and graphs, this book is intended to serve as a tool for peace advocacy. Well known peace advocates respond to 19 of the most common illusions held by the American public which weaken their opposition to Washington's wars. "The American way of war offers a nonstop supply of illusions--while imposing horrific realities far away and, ultimately, at home too. This book is intent on dispelling key illusions and coming to terms with human realities. Between the covers of American Wars, the result is a compendium of insights and hard-won knowledge of the sort you'll rarely find in the daily paper or the evening news. The writers are myth-busters who challenge the conventional lack of wisdom that drags the United States into one war after another and keeps us lethally mired in a warfare state. This collection provides us with an array of vital perspectives, opening up a crucial topic that usually remains shut down--what American wars are doing to humanity, under false pretenses and with calamitous results, around the world and in our own neighborhoods. The future is at stake. This book helps us to understand the perils and opportunities of the present moment. --NORMAN SOLOMON, author of War Made Easy

The texts which comprise this small book - forms of essay, talk, dialogue - at one time saw themselves as individualists who went somewhere (to small press magazines) on their own. Now they are here, collected with the chance of going nowhere together. As it should be: since they represent the fate of language and translation in the memory of aliens living inside America - like a family going nowhere together, but at home. The philosopher Jacques Derrida and his family are part of this family in the dead letter office, and curiously they are named going nowhere together at home. Along the way, so are the poets Charles Reznikoff and William Carlos Williams and Emmanuel Hocquard and Juliette Valery and Charles Olson, as well as Horace's Odes in translation. You will find in this Memoir what it means for an alien to search

for his family in a book outside the time of its writing. You will find him discovering that translation is a personal story and that poetry might not have a home without it. You will find him wondering: whose voices are these which we hear around us as we write, as Babel turns to rumor through the fact of translation, wherein a book is being made and remade from American to French and back again? You will find him through translation like a Being in the Poetry of the Extraterritorial, an un-owned territory which is neither French nor American but is negotiated by the rumor of a poetry which emerges from both, a future condition (État) which seeks the name it could be but is not. Follow this alien Being's trajectory: he is not of America but grows up in it. He publishes a book in French translation before it appears in the American English original. He becomes native to a writing whose eloquence is always in question, at times because it is passive, at other times because it is unpronounceable. Who, over time, finds his Memoir? In the dead letter office, we do. We find someone somewhat like ourselves, who uses language and translation as if these were a poet's gifts in the making of history, a history which is foreign yet integral to his homeland. We find someone who uses it to return to his own people and place, so that he can "only stand more/revealed." We find someone who will act the new basis for his identity - the consciousness whose coming into Being must be premised on his existence in another world.

On a brilliant day in May, in the year 1868, a gentleman was reclining at his ease on the great circular divan which at that period occupied the centre of the Salon Carre, in the Museum of the Louvre. This commodious ottoman has since been removed, to the extreme regret of all weak-kneed lovers of the fine arts, but the gentleman in question had taken serene possession of its softest spot, and, with his head thrown back and his legs outstretched, was staring at Murillo's beautiful moon-borne Madonna in profound enjoyment of his posture. He had removed his hat, and flung down beside him a little red guide-book and an opera-glass. The day was warm; he was heated with walking, and he repeatedly passed his handkerchief over his forehead, with a somewhat wearied gesture. And yet he was evidently not a man to whom fatigue was familiar; long, lean, and muscular, he suggested the sort of vigor that is commonly known as "toughness." But his exertions on this particular day had been of an unwonted sort, and he had performed great physical feats which left him less jaded than his tranquil stroll through the Louvre. He had looked out all the pictures to which an asterisk was affixed in those formidable pages of fine print in his Badeker; his attention had been strained and his eyes dazzled, and he had sat down with an aesthetic headache.

In simple direct language, Jerry Fresia reveals the true intent of our "Founding Fathers" who designed the Constitution to protect their property and ensure that the poorer majority would have no real voice in political affairs. Fresia reveals the Founders' fears of "too much" democracy, why the Constitution was opposed by most Americans, and how its ratification was gained through deception and physical coercion. Toward an American Revolution shows how the illegal wars,

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domestic repression, and economic inequity of late twentieth century America are not incongruous with our Constitutional design. Book jacket.

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