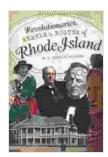
# Revolutionaries, Rebels, and Rogues of Rhode Island: The Wicked History of the Ocean State



#### Revolutionaries, Rebels and Rogues of Rhode Island

(Wicked) by M.E. Reilly-McGreen

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In the annals of American history, Rhode Island has long been known as a hotbed of rebellion and dissent. From its founding as a haven for religious freedom to its leading role in the American Revolution, Rhode Island has been a place where the status quo has been challenged and new ideas have flourished.

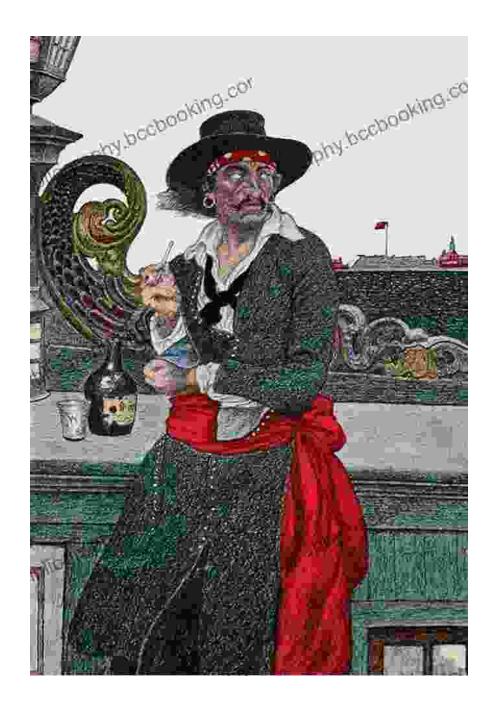
This book tells the stories of some of the most notorious, rebellious, and downright wicked characters from Rhode Island's past. From the radical preacher Roger Williams to the pirate captain Kidd, from the slave-trading merchant John Brown to the labor leader Eugene V. Debs, these men and women defied convention and left their mark on history.

Roger Williams: The Father of Religious Freedom

Roger Williams was a Puritan minister who was banished from the Massachusetts Bay Colony for his unorthodox religious beliefs. He founded the colony of Rhode Island in 1636 as a haven for religious freedom. Williams was a strong advocate for the separation of church and state, and he believed that all people should be free to practice their own religion.

#### **Kidd the Pirate: The Scourge of the Seas**

Captain William Kidd was a Scottish pirate who sailed the seas in the late 17th century. He is best known for his alleged involvement in the murder of a wealthy Armenian merchant. Kidd was captured and hanged in London in 1701, but his legend lives on.

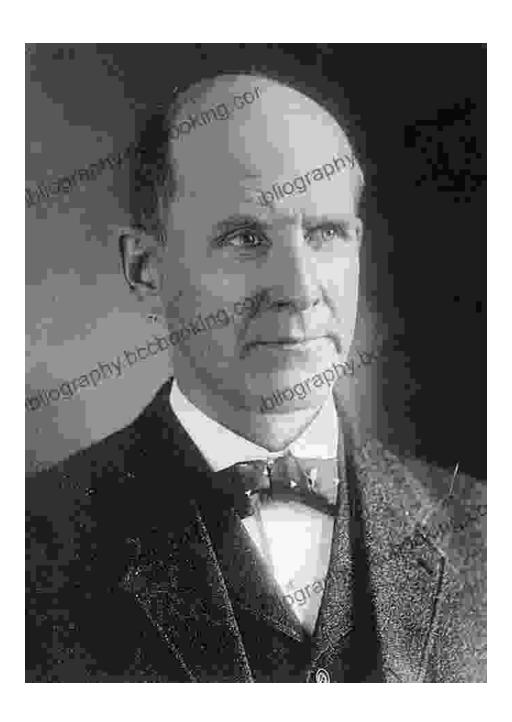


#### John Brown: The Slave-Trading Merchant

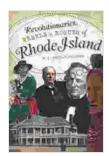
John Brown was a wealthy merchant who made his fortune in the slave trade. He was a major figure in the American Revolution, and he served as a general in the Continental Army. Brown was a controversial figure, and he was eventually executed for his role in the Harper's Ferry raid.

#### **Eugene V. Debs: The Labor Leader**

Eugene V. Debs was a labor leader and socialist who was active in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. He was a co-founder of the American Railway Union, and he led several major strikes against the railroad companies. Debs was a vocal opponent of war and capitalism, and he ran for president of the United States five times on the Socialist Party ticket.



These are just a few of the many fascinating stories that are told in Revolutionaries, Rebels, and Rogues of Rhode Island. This book is a mustread for anyone who is interested in the history of Rhode Island or the United States.



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