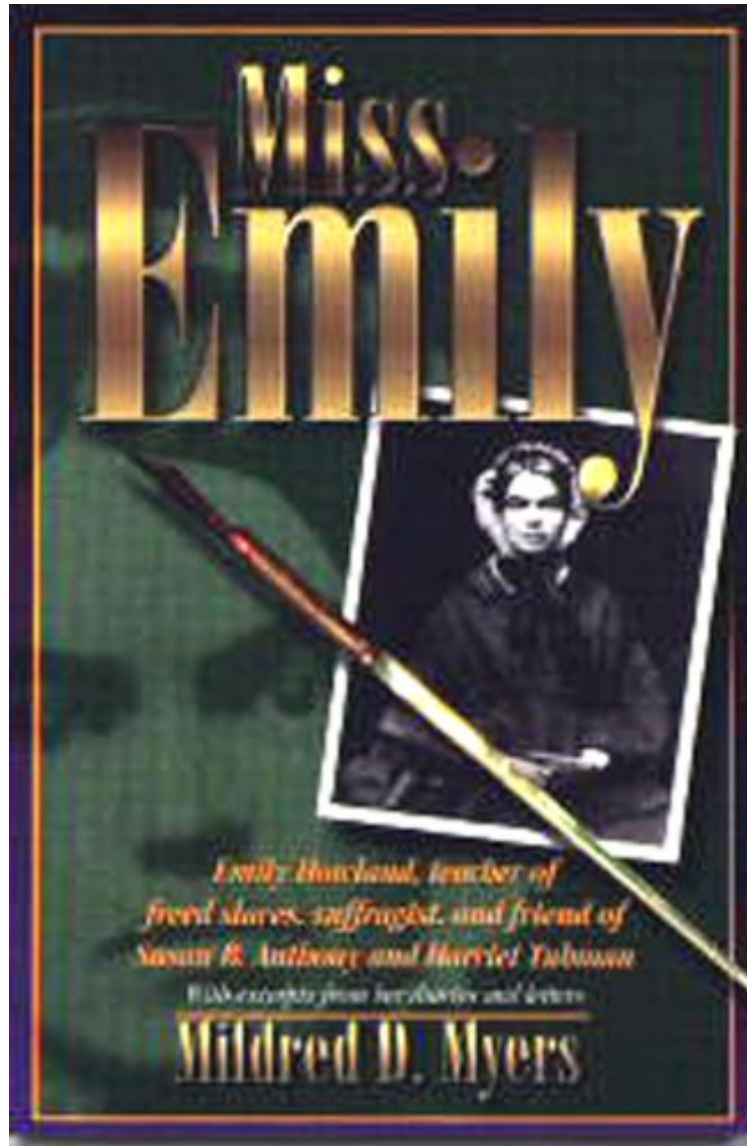


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Von Mildred Meyers : Miss Emily (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Miss Emily (English Edition):

Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Little Known True Heroine in Shaping Our Nation Von Craig R. Wright (crw3@ix.netcom.com) While I know a lot of folks who are fascinated by the Civil War - and I suppose more than most I have that interest myself - my greater fascination has been with the lives that helped shape the coming of the war, and particularly their lives in the aftermath of the war.

This biographical novel based on Emily Howland's own diaries and letters gave me a number of wonderful insights into this period, particularly into the ties between the anti-slavery movement and the later movement for Woman Suffrage. Besides learning about Miss Howland, herself, we are afforded personal and revealing glimpses into the life and character of other significant figures as well, such as Susan B. Anthony and Harriet Tubman, founder of the Underground Railroad. And perhaps as important to expanding my understanding of these times, is the view into the lives of her family, friends, and the more anonymous heroes of those days in shaping our nation to one of greater equality, a work still going on today. Miss Emily had been one of those anonymous heroes, and it is a real gift to have her life brought out of the fading shadows, for hers is truly a life worth remembering. I found the book to be well-written and clearly well researched. My only complaint is the opening 2-page prologue struck me as contrived and Unnatural. It initially led me to expect less of the author, and that is proven unfounded by what follows. My advice is to just skip those two pages. If you have an interest in American history, particularly in the changing role of women, this book is a must read. I'm definitely putting it on the future reading list of our young daughter.

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