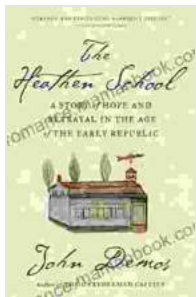


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Burr was born in Newark, New Jersey, in 1756. His father was a Presbyterian minister, and his mother was a descendant of the prominent Edwards family. Burr graduated from Princeton University in 1772, and then studied law. He served in the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War, and rose to the rank of colonel.

After the war, Burr entered politics. He served in the New York State Assembly and the United States Senate. In 1800, he was elected Vice President under Thomas Jefferson. However, Burr's relationship with Jefferson was strained from the beginning. Jefferson was suspicious of Burr's ambition, and Burr resented Jefferson's dominance of the Republican Party.

In 1804, Burr challenged Alexander Hamilton to a duel. Hamilton was one of the most prominent Federalists in the United States, and he had been critical of Burr's political ambitions. The duel took place on July 11, 1804, and Hamilton was killed. Burr's involvement in the duel damaged his reputation, and he was never able to regain the trust of the American people.

In 1805, Burr was charged with treason for his role in a plot to establish a separate republic in the western United States. The plot was known as the Burr Conspiracy, and it involved several prominent Americans, including former Vice President George Clinton. Burr was arrested and tried for treason, but he was acquitted. However, his reputation was ruined, and he was never able to return to public life.

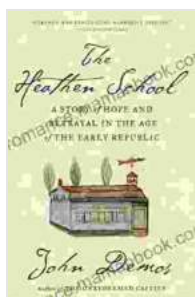
Burr spent the rest of his life in exile. He lived in Europe for several years, and then returned to the United States in 1812. He died in New York City in 1836.

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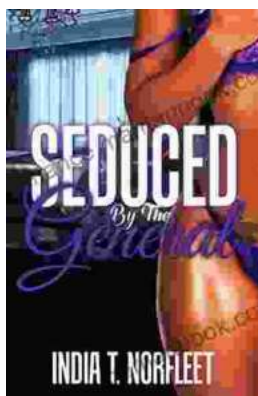
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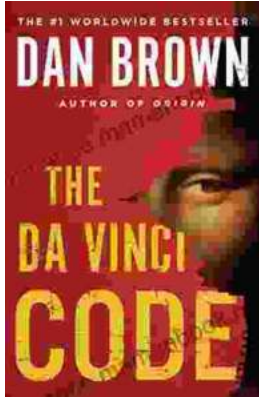
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