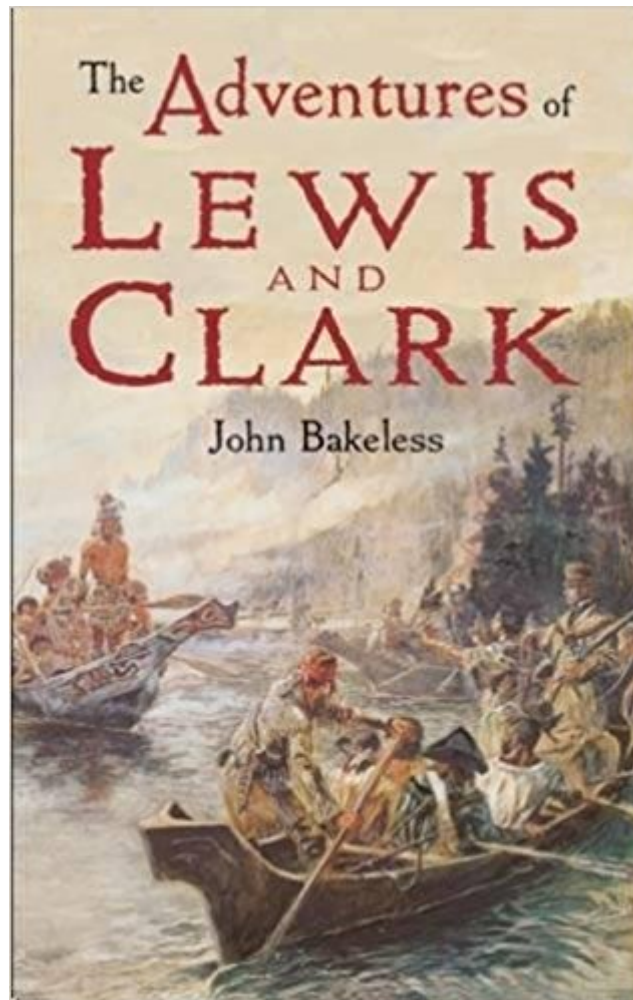




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Great short story .

177 page children's book, age 10 or so, I guess. Full of really bad illustrations for a kid's book. They look to be watercolor, and so blurry and sketchy you can hardly make out what they portray. Written in 1962. It talks about Napoleon having a spy in the U.S. in 1792, which I find hardly credible, although admittedly I am no history expert. The French Revolution was only three years old. Napoleon was probably still in Corsica then. Which leads me to believe there may be other factual errors. All the towns Bakeless names in Montana are not in the road atlas today. Not sure I learned anything except that the Missouri is our longest river. Was too suspicious of the facts.

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