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The Unredeemed Captive: A Family Story from Early America (Paperback)

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Random House USA Inc, United States, 1995. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Reprint. 201 x 130 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Early on the morning of February 29, 1704, before the settlers of Deerfield, Massachusetts, had stirred from their beds, a French and Indian war party opened fire, wielding hatchets and torches, on the lightly fortified town. What would otherwise have been a fairly commonplace episode of Queen Anne s War (as the War of the Spanish Succession was known in the colonies) achieved considerable notoriety in America and abroad. The reason: the Indians had managed to capture, among others, the eminent minister John Williams, his wife, Eunice Mather Williams, and their five children. This Puritan family par excellence, and more than a hundred of their good neighbors, were now at the mercy of savages - and the fact that these savages were French-speaking converts to Catholicism made the reversal of the rightful order of things no less shocking. In *The Unredeemed Captive*, John Demos, Yale historian and winner of the Bancroft Prize for his book *Entertaining Satan*, tells the story of the minister s captured daughter Eunice, who was seven years old at the time of the Deerfield...



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