

Richmond (Hardback)

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Arcadia Publishing Library Editions, 2014. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English. Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. In 1822, a group of Americans immigrating to Stephen F. Austin's colony stopped at a bend in the Brazos River and built a fort. Originally called Fort Bend and Fort Settlement, Richmond was incorporated in May 1837. A prosperous river port, Richmond became a boomtown with the completion of the first railroad in Texas in 1855. One of the most notorious episodes in Richmond's history was the Jay Bird-Woodpecker War in 1888-1889, which led to a gun battle on the streets between the two political factions. Richmond was home to notable historical figures, including Jane Long, Mother of Texas; Mirabeau B. Lamar, second president of the Republic of Texas; Deaf Smith, Texas Revolutionary scout; Carry A. Nation, temperance activist with a penchant for smashing up saloons with a hatchet; and Hilmar Moore, longest-serving US mayor.





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