



Fort Smith, Ark: Its History, Its Commerce, Its Location, Itself (Classic Reprint)

By Fort Smith

Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Fort Smith, Ark: Its History, Its Commerce, Its Location, Itself Fort Smith struggled along as a frontier trading-post for many years, gaining importance during the Mexican War when many of the troops and Government supplies were sent to the front by this route, being brought up the Arkansas River by boat to Fort Smith. In 1871 the garrison was removed further west to Fort Gibson, but Fort Smith, the town, was then firmly established, and with overland stage routes to the far west, large steamboats plying regularly between Cincinnati, St. Louis, New Orleans and Fort Smith, she continued to grow slowly, until in 1880 the census reports show her to have had 3,000 population. First Railroads. The Little Rock Fort Smith Railway was the first railroad connection, being completed to Fort Smith in 1876. It was followed soon after by the St. Louis San Francisco Railway, which gave a decided impetus to Fort Smith trade, and from 1880 to 1884 her population was more than doubled. Meanwhile, the Government having removed its fort and having...



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