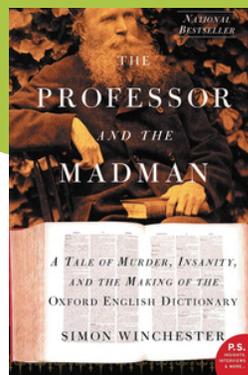


NON-FICTION MICRO- HISTORIES

NUTS AND BOLTS

by Roma Agrawal

Some of humanity's mightiest engineering achievements are small in scale. In *Nuts and Bolts*, structural engineer Roma Agrawal examines seven of these extraordinary elements: the nail, the wheel, the spring, the magnet, the lens, the string, and the pump. **NF Technology**



THE PROFESSOR AND THE MADMAN

by Simon Winchester

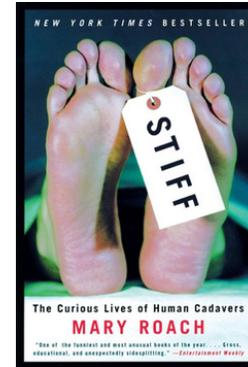
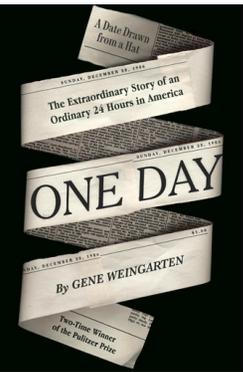
The making of the Oxford English Dictionary was one of the most ambitious projects ever undertaken. *The Professor and the Madman* is an extraordinary tale of madness, genius, and the incredible obsessions of two remarkable men: one a professor, and the other a psychotic murderer in one of England's cruelest asylums.

NF Language

ONE DAY

by Gene Weingarten

A journalist pulls a random day in history from a hat to see if he can make a worthwhile news story from what happened. The result is *One Day*, a deeply illuminating and affecting exploration of the quiet dramas and human interaction that make a seemingly insignificant day--December 28th, 1986--into an important, poignant part of American history. **NF History US**



STIFF

by Mary Roach

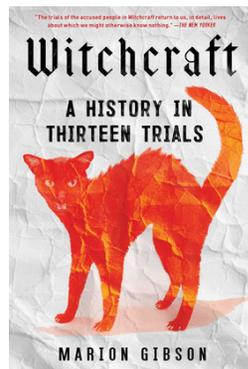
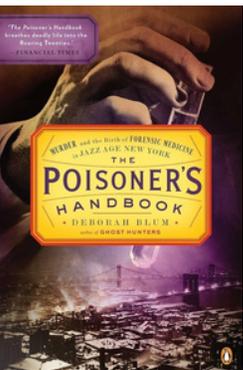
Stiff is an oddly compelling, often hilarious exploration of the strange lives of our bodies postmortem. A look inside the world of forensics examines the use of human cadavers in a wide range of endeavors, including research into new surgical procedures, space exploration, and a Tennessee human decay research facility.

NF Science Biology

THE POISONER'S HANDBOOK

by Deborah Blum

The untold story of how poison rocked Jazz Age New York City. A pair of forensic scientists began their trailblazing chemical detective work, fighting to end an era when untraceable poisons offered an easy path to the perfect crime. **NF True Crime**

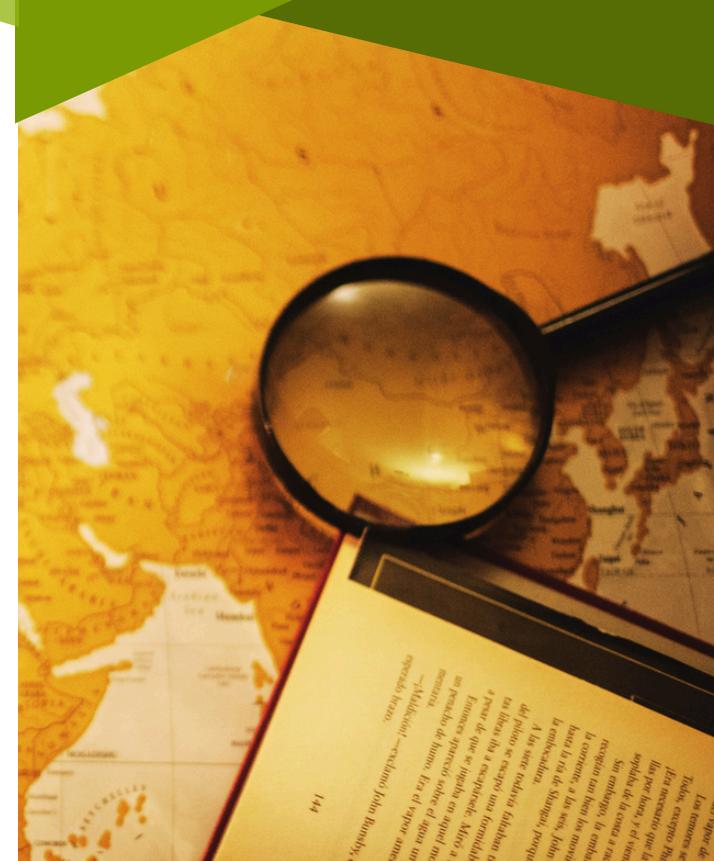


WITCHCRAFT

by Marion Gibson

A thought-provoking global history of witch trials across Europe, Africa, and the Americas, told through thirteen distinct trials that illuminate a pattern of demonization and conspiratorial thinking that has profoundly shaped human history.

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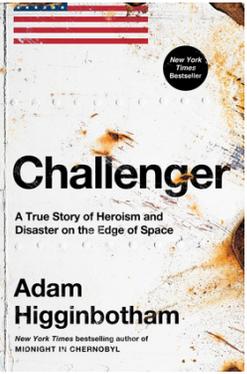




THE BARBIZON

by Paulina Bren

Welcome to New York's legendary hotel for women, the Barbizon. Liberated after WWI from home and hearth, women flocked to New York City during the Roaring Twenties. By providing women a room of their own, the Barbizon was the hotel that set them free. **NF History US 20th**

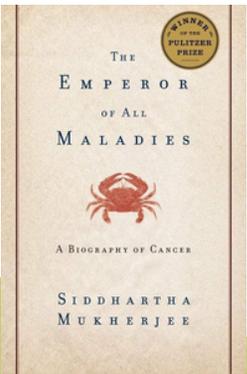


CHALLENGER

by Adam Higginbotham

On January 28, 1986, just seventy-three seconds into flight, the space shuttle Challenger broke apart over the Atlantic Ocean, killing all seven people on board. Millions of Americans

witnessed the tragic deaths of the crew. Higginbotham reveals the history of the shuttle program and the lives of those whose stories have been overshadowed by the disaster. **NF History US 20th**

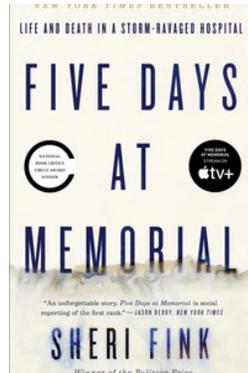


THE EMPEROR OF ALL MALADIES

by Siddhartha Mukherjee

Physician and researcher, Siddhartha Mukherjee examines cancer with a cellular biologist's precision, a historian's perspective, and a biographer's passions. The

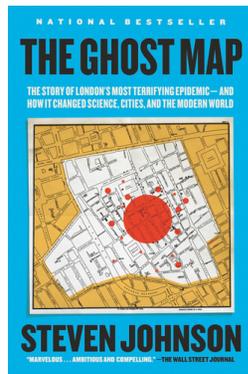
result is an astonishingly lucid and eloquent chronicle of a disease humans have lived with--and perished from--for more than five thousand years. **NF Medical Cancer**



FIVE DAYS AT MEMORIAL

by Sheri Fink

Pulitzer Prize winner Sheri Fink's landmark investigation of patient deaths at a New Orleans hospital ravaged by Hurricane Katrina - and her suspenseful portrayal of the quest for truth and justice. **NF Social Science**

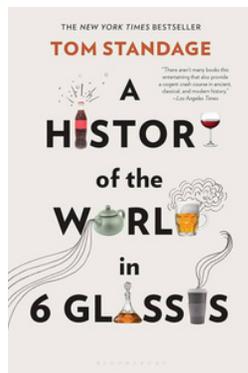


THE GHOST MAP

by Steven Johnson

It's the summer of 1854, and London is just emerging as one of the first modern cities in the world. But lacking the infrastructure-garbage removal, clean water, sewers-necessary to

support its rapidly expanding population, the city has become the perfect breeding ground for a terrifying disease no one knows how to cure. **NF Medical Diseases**

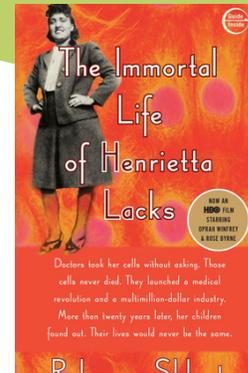


THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD IN 6 GLASSES

by Tom Standage

Beer, wine, spirits, coffee, tea, and Coca-Cola: In Tom Standage's deft, innovative account of world history, these six beverages turn out to be much more than just ways to quench thirst.

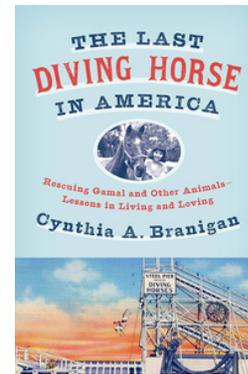
They also represent six eras that span the course of civilization--from the adoption of agriculture, to the birth of cities, to the advent of globalization. **NF History**



THE IMMORTAL LIFE OF HENRIETTA LACKS

by Rebecca Skloot

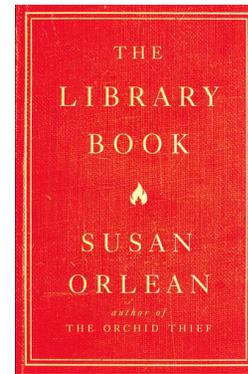
Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. She was a poor farmer who worked the same land as her slave ancestors, yet her cells, taken without her knowledge, became one of the most important tools in medicine: The first "immortal" human cells, which are still alive today. **NF Biography Lacks**



THE LAST DIVING HORSE IN AMERICA

by Cynthia A. Branigan

The rescue of the last diving horse in America and the inspiring story of how horse and animal rescuer were each profoundly transformed by the other--from the award-winning animal rescuer of retired racing greyhounds. **NF Pets Farm**



THE LIBRARY BOOK

by Susan Orlean

On the morning of April 29, 1986, a disastrous fire started in the Los Angeles Public Library. Weaving her lifelong love of books into an investigation of the fire, award-winning reporter and author Susan Orlean

delivers a uniquely compelling book that manages to tell the broader story of libraries and librarians in a way that has never been done before. **NF History US**