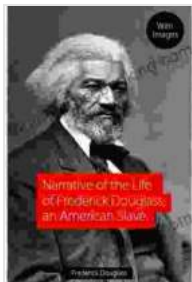


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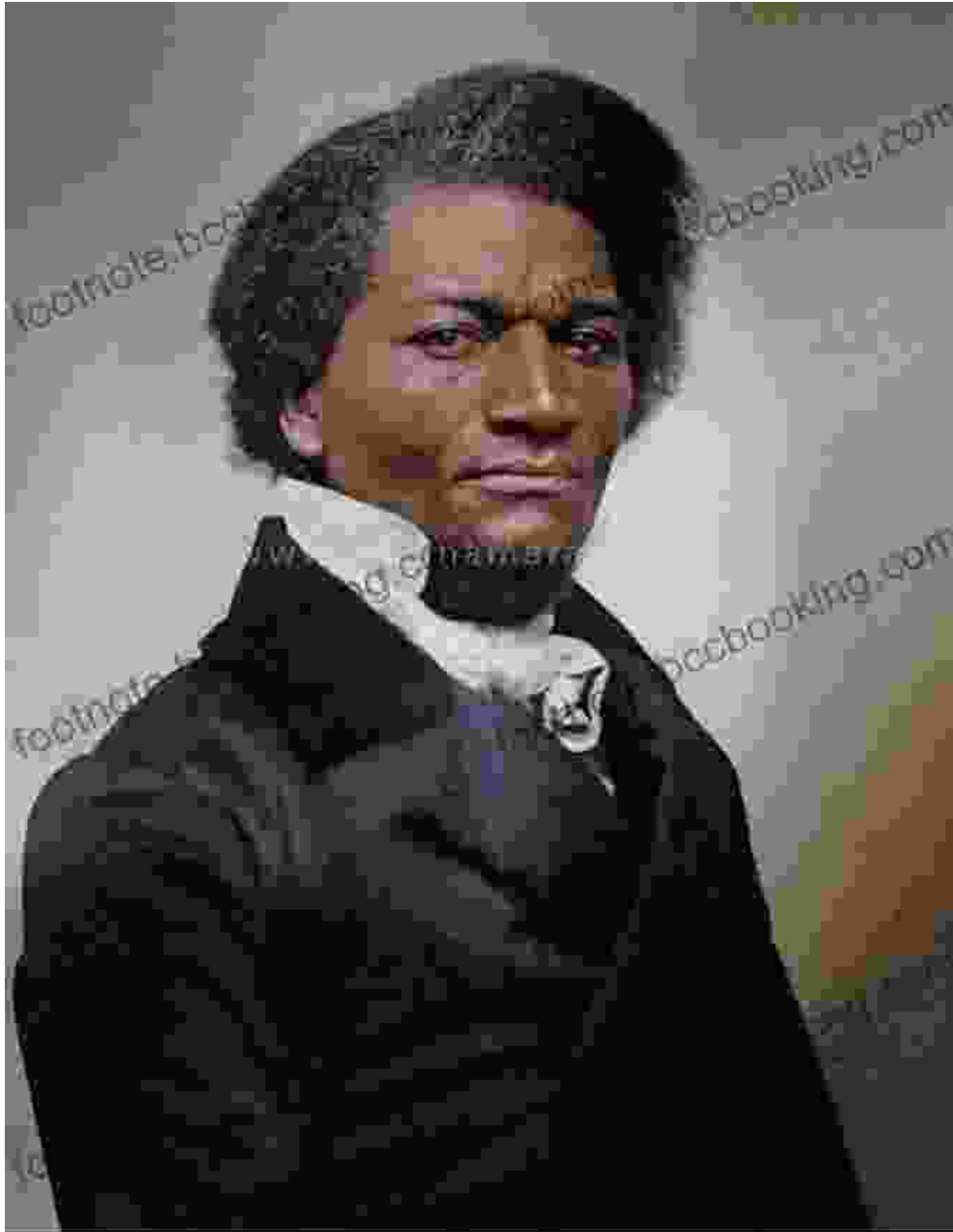
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Frederick Douglass (1818-1895)

Frederick Douglass was born into slavery in Tuckahoe, Maryland, in 1818. He escaped from slavery in 1845 and became a leading abolitionist and writer. His autobiography, *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave*, was published in 1845 and became a bestseller. The book

was translated into several languages and helped to raise awareness of the horrors of slavery.

Douglass's autobiography is a powerful and moving account of his life as a slave. He describes the brutality and violence of slavery, but he also shows the strength and resilience of the human spirit. Douglass's autobiography is a classic work of American literature and a valuable historical document.

## **Early Life**

Frederick Douglass was born Frederick Augustus Washington Bailey in Tuckahoe, Maryland, in 1818. His mother, Harriet Bailey, was a slave, and his father was a white man. Douglass never knew his father, and he was separated from his mother when he was a young child.

Douglass was raised by his grandmother, who taught him to read and write. He was a bright and curious child, and he quickly learned to read and write. However, his education was interrupted when he was sent to work on a plantation at the age of eight.

## **Life as a Slave**

Douglass spent the next 20 years of his life as a slave. He was subjected to physical and mental abuse, and he was constantly in danger of being sold or beaten. However, Douglass never gave up hope of freedom. He continued to read and write, and he began to speak out against slavery.

Douglass's experiences as a slave helped to shape his views on slavery and race. He believed that slavery was a crime against humanity, and he argued that all people, regardless of their race, were created equal.

## **Escape to Freedom**

In 1845, Douglass escaped from slavery. He disguised himself as a sailor and boarded a train bound for Philadelphia. He eventually made his way to New York City, where he met abolitionist William Lloyd Garrison.

Douglass began to speak out against slavery in New York City. He gave speeches and wrote articles about the horrors of slavery. He quickly became a leading figure in the abolitionist movement.

## **Abolitionist and Writer**

Douglass was a powerful advocate for abolition. He spoke at abolitionist rallies and wrote articles for abolitionist newspapers. He also helped to organize the Underground Railroad, a network of secret routes used by slaves to escape to freedom.

Douglass was a gifted writer and speaker. His autobiography, *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave*, was published in 1845 and became a bestseller. The book was translated into several languages and helped to raise awareness of the horrors of slavery.

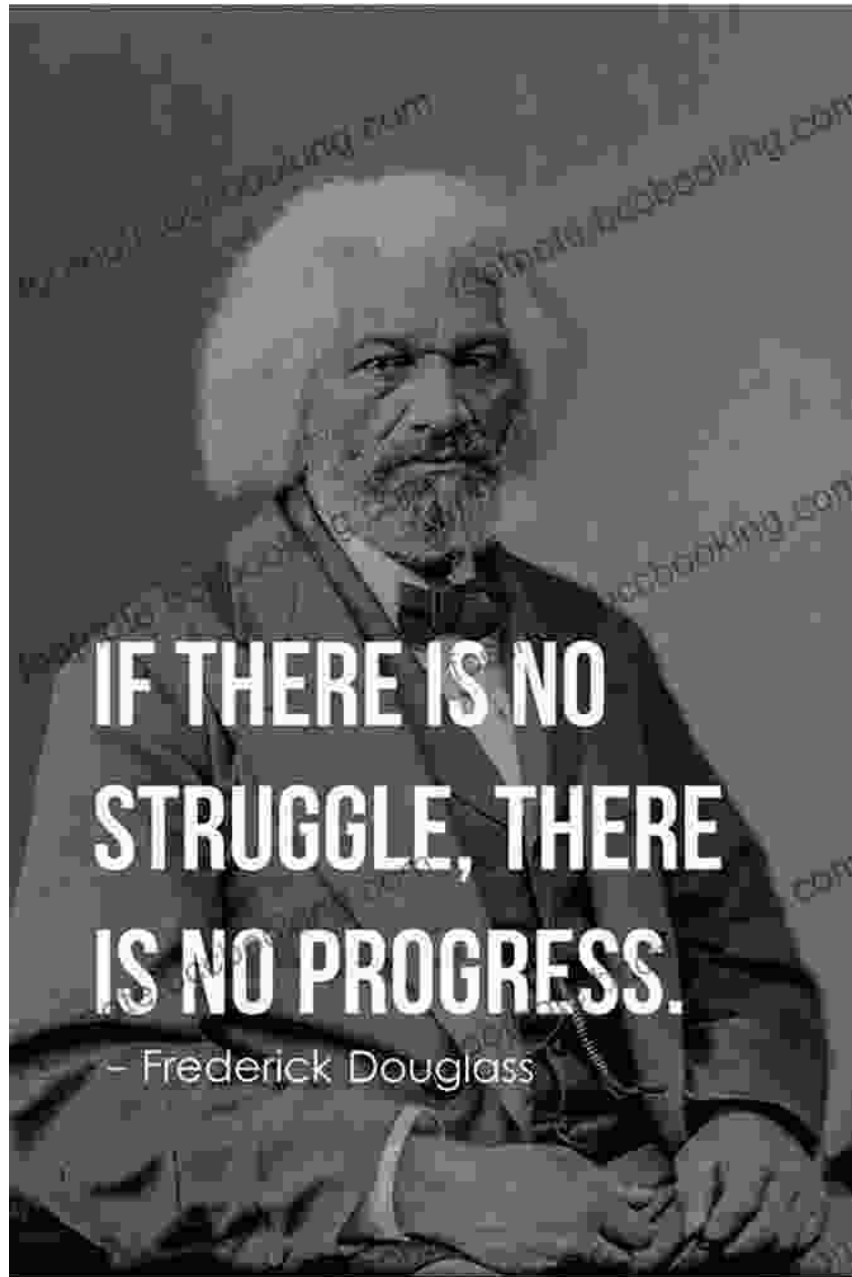
Douglass continued to write and speak out against slavery throughout his life. He served as an ambassador for the United States to Haiti and the Dominican Republic. He also helped to found the Howard University School of Law.

## **Legacy**

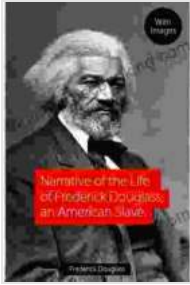
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Douglass is remembered as one of the most important figures in American history. He was a tireless advocate for justice and equality, and his work helped to shape the course of American history.



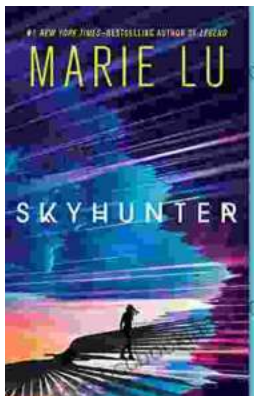
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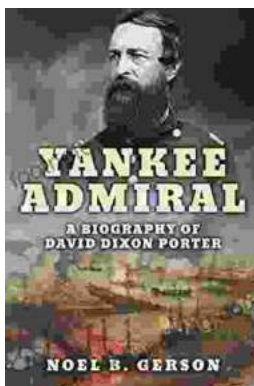
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