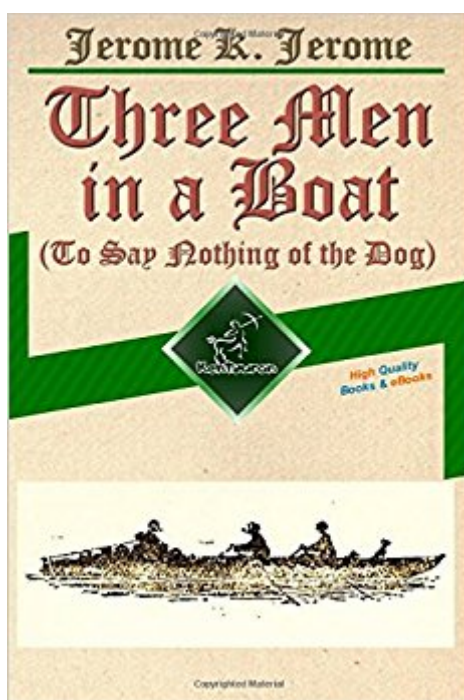


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Three Men In A Boat (To Say Nothing Of The Dog): New Illustrated Edition With 67 Original Drawings By A. Frederics, A Detailed Map Of Tour, And A Photo Of The Three Men



Synopsis

New edition for kindle with 67 illustrations based on original drawings by A. Frederics and the Map of Tour. Download the free sample or "look inside" to give it a try. This eBook is based on the work of Jerome K. Jerome "Three Men in a Boat - (To Say Nothing of the Dog)", a humorous account by English writer Jerome K. Jerome of a boating holiday on the Thames between Kingston and Oxford, originally published in 1889. The three men are based on Jerome himself (the narrator J.) and two real-life friends, George Wingrave (who would become a senior manager at Barclays Bank) and Carl Hentschel (the founder of a London printing business, called Harris in the book), with whom he often took boating trips. The dog, Montmorency, is entirely fictional but, "as Jerome admits, developed out of that area of inner consciousness which, in all Englishmen, contains an element of the dog." The trip is a typical boating holiday of the time in a Thames camping skiff. This was just after commercial boat traffic on the Upper Thames had died out, replaced by the 1880s craze for boating as a leisure activity. The text of the novel is complete and unabridged (1889 edition).

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Customer Reviews

I read this book upon the recommendation of a friend who wanted to know if I thought it had influenced Wodehouse. Personally, I don't know. TMB predated Wodehouse and was immensely popular. I would be surprised if Wodehouse hadn't read it. And a Google search Provides TMB in

the list of Wodehouse influences. But, I don't know where that information comes from. So, once again I know no such thing. TMB is top-drawer British humor as is Wodehouse. Both provide an innocent vision of young men about the town. TMB is told in first person narrative by a likeable participant of the adventure. He describes the foibles of himself and his friends in a loving fashion much as is done by Bertie Wooster in the Jeeves and Wooster stories. The comic pacing and slap-stick of both writers is similar. Though, TMB reminds me more of Love Among the Chickens than a J&W. Wooster's misadventures have a depth and invite repeat performance in a way that is not found in either TMB or LAC. Though, admittedly LAC was an early Wodehouse novel and the hero does make many reappearances with S. Featherstone. Still, TMB reminds me more of LAC than a J&W.

This is one of my favorite books. I always start laughing out loud, and by the end, I'm looking up trips to England online. Yes, it's a picaresque travelogue, but it's so funny and charming, that you just want to know these people and be at the pub when they're recounting their adventures. The "voice" of the main character is so clear and funny, that I can imagine it makes a wonderful audio book. The British wit and humor is in full display as is a wonderful sense of place and time. If you like this book and also like sci-fi or speculative fiction, I recommend "To Say Nothing of the Dog" by Connie Willis - she uses the setting of "Three Men in a Boat" in a charming and exciting time travel novel - HIGHLY recommended.

This book is rather old but is nevertheless funny enough to keep you entertained and interested until you read the last page. If you like British humor this is a very good choice...but be aware that this book is not 'laughing off loud' funny, if you are looking for something to crack you up you may look somewhere else.

The history of this book is fascinating. It was first published in 1889 and it continued to be published each year, somewhat as a puzzle to the author according to the preface. The discussions between the three friends of their common ailments and treatments let the reader know how lucky we are to live in modern times. Three Men in a Boat is very humorous and engaging.

Timeless. Absolutely great and rich and simple language; stories and characters which are around and will be around till humankind exists. Delight and must read. I just regret that English is not my native tongue and I can not express fully everything I felt while taking this wonderful river boat from

Kingston to Oxford and back with J., George, Harris and Montmorency. Read it, you won't regret it.

Just as the 3 men of 1800s leisure, the writing meanders so don't be in a hurry or the humor will elude.

Pretty funny. Definitely British humor. Don't pick this up if that's not your style.

Pretty funny book in a very British way. While I would not recommend it to someone who doesn't like the unique British style humor, it's a nice and quick read for someone who wants an idea of what it's like or already enjoys those blokes across the pond.

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