Making a Living: Work and Environment in the United States (Hardback)

By Chad Montrie

The University of North Carolina Press, United States, 2008. Hardback. Book Condition: New. 236 x 157 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. This title looks at the impact of workers rights struggles on the environmental movement.In an innovative fusion of labor and environmental history, Making a Living examines work as a central part of Americans evolving relationship with nature, revealing the unexpected connections between the fight for workers rights and the rise of the modern environmental movement.Chad Montrie offers six case studies: textile mill girls in antebellum New England, plantation slaves and newly freed sharecroppers in the Mississippi Delta, homesteading women in the Kansas and Nebraska grasslands, native-born coal miners in southern Appalachia, auto-workers in Detroit, and Mexican and Mexican American farm workers in southern California. Montrie shows how increasingly organized and mechanized production drove a wedge between workers and nature - and how workers fought back. Workers resistance not only addressed wages and conditions, he argues, but also planted the seeds of environmental reform and environmental justice activism. Workers played a critical role in raising popular consciousness, pioneering strategies for enacting environmental regulatory policy, and initiating militant local protest.Filled with poignant and illuminating vignettes, Making a Living provides...

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