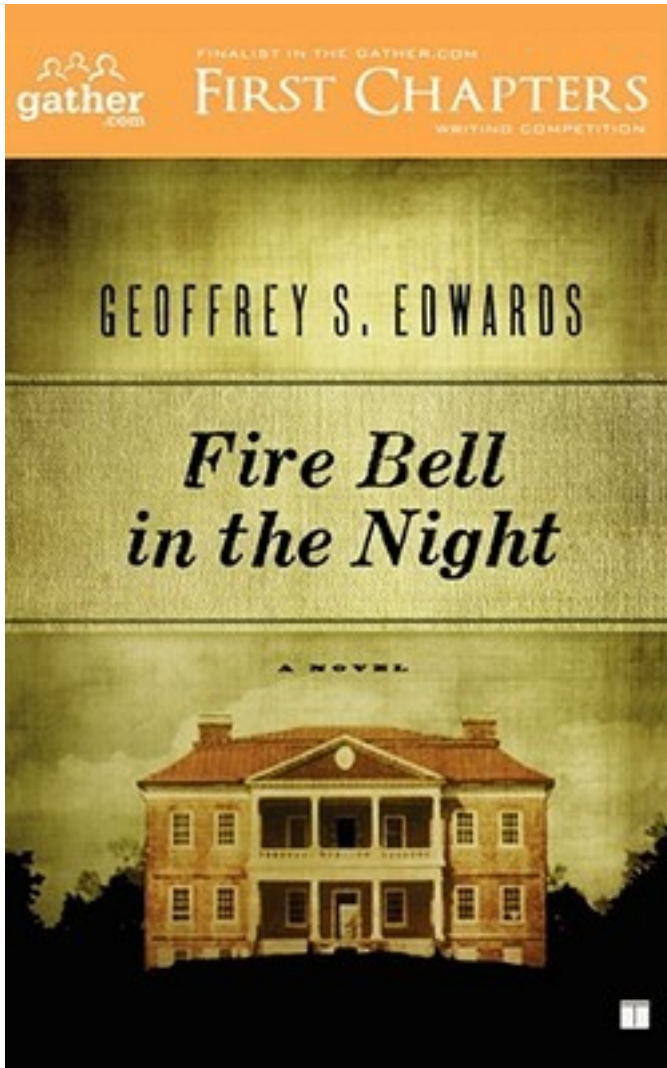

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Fire Bell in the Night: A Novel



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Description

Filled with historic details of the time, *Fire Bell in the Night* explores the explosive tension between North and South, black and white, that gripped Charleston, South Carolina, in the summer of 1850. Geoffrey S. Edwards's first novel tells the story of *New York Tribune* reporter John Sharp, sent to cover the capital trial of Darcy Calhoun, a farmer who stands accused of harboring a fugitive slave.

As the trial begins, John quickly realizes that not everything is as it appears in the genteel city of Charleston. A series of mysterious fires in white establishments brings the state militia, a curfew for the black population, and rising tension at the courthouse. To unravel the city's secrets, Sharp must enter Charleston's plantation society, where he is befriended by Tyler Breckenridge, owner of the Willowby plantation, and his beautiful sister Clio.

Set against the backdrop of a nation headed toward civil war, *Fire Bell in the Night* is a page-turning account of a trial and one young reporter's efforts to discover the truth.

Insightful reviews

Amy: I rank any book that emotionally moves me at the top of my list.

Sheila: I began reading "Fire Bell in the Night" as soon as it came out, since I'd watched the "Gather First Chapters Competition" from start to finish. I found the book a slow read, but it rewarded perseverance amply once I could devote my uninterrupted attention.

I wasn't sure where the story was going at the start. Geoffrey Edwards' swift introduction of characters that he immediately lost or killed left me oddly unsettled, but I suspect that was the emotion he was looking for. The third chapter led me into a strangely exotic place, Charleston in 1850, and brought it fully to life. Every page I turned, I learned something new. I tagged behind a New York reporter in the South, stranger in a strange land, and in the final chapters found the whole story and its people brought together, coming full circle.

I loved the way the book is framed, from chapter 3 to the end, by the railway station. I can see and hear and smell it in my mind; that one church spire of many; the militia; the porters; the trains, and the whole idea of railways. Geoffrey Edwards brings me in on a train, and takes me out again, and I know I will always remember a fascinating visit.

Natalie: Geoff was one of the two winners in Simon & Schuster's "First Chapters" novel-writing contest on Gather.com. His antebellum novel is a fascinating read.

Amanda: My first historic fiction-mystery and that I was once pleasantly surprised. Lots of the booklet stored me turning the pages in suspense however the finishing was once a disappointment, in my opinion. Rather well written and researched. The reader definitely feels as though she or he is in Charleston in 1850, however the denouement simply didn't dwell as much as the expectancies and imaginations of the reader.

Amanda: This was once a lovely novel in regards to the mounting tensions over the life of slavery ahead of the Civil War. Informed throughout the eyes of a brand new York reporter, John Sharp, we get to work out the unrest within the south developing surrounding the trial of a bad white farmer who's accused of assisting a runaway slave. Because the urban unfolds around him, Mr. Sharp has to find on his personal who to believe and what to believe. The radical captured me immediately, and although it slowed a piece in the direction of the middle, the final part used to be completely ideal in the way it used to be woven together. Fantastic characterization of the numerous players, and a plausible tale concerning the stress construction among the north and south earlier than the Civil War. Certainly suggest this e-book to a person who enjoys old fiction, and fantastically plausible tale telling.

Brianna: arms down the best novels I read. Yes, it began a piece sluggish for me, yet after completing the ebook I had good enough good stuff to assert approximately it. The characters are likable and writer particularly bought my blood strain to upward thrust in convinced scenes within the book. Any writer that may make me believe anger on behalf of a sufferer or staff of sufferers has my vote. Enjoyed it -- nice learn and that I came across the binds to background to be super accurate.

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