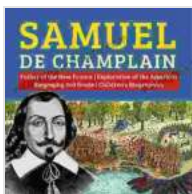
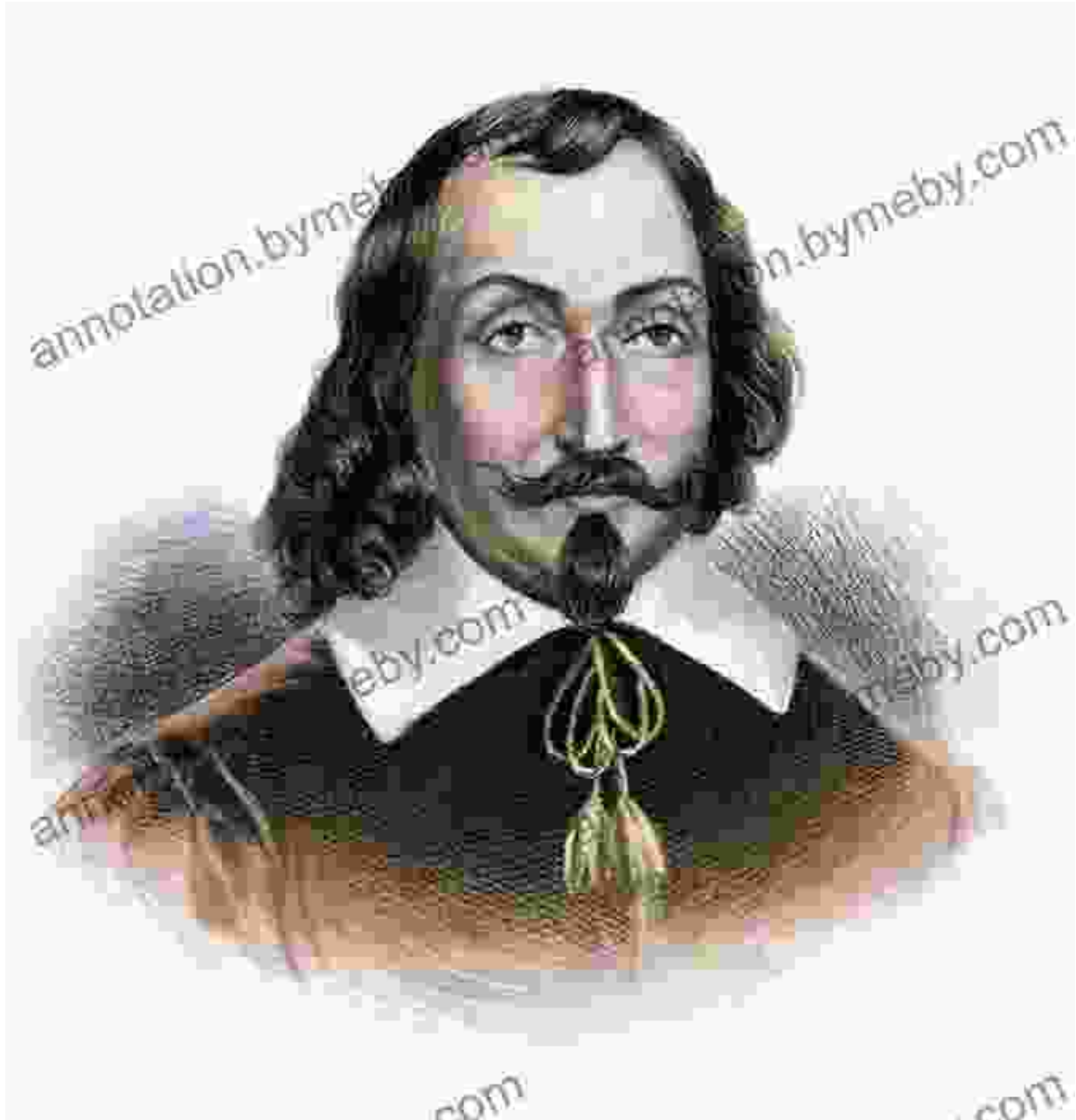


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Samuel de Champlain was a French explorer and cartographer who founded New France in 1608. He made numerous voyages to North America and mapped the St. Lawrence River and the Great Lakes. Champlain's explorations helped to establish the French empire in North America and paved the way for the settlement of Canada.

Early Life and Career

Samuel de Champlain was born in Brouage, France in 1567. He was the son of a sea captain, and he began sailing at an early age. Champlain served in the French navy and fought against the Spanish in the Caribbean. In 1603, he was commissioned by King Henry IV of France to explore the New World.

First Voyage to North America

Champlain's first voyage to North America was in 1603. He sailed to the Gulf of St. Lawrence and explored the coast of present-day Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Champlain returned to France in 1604, and he published an account of his voyage that aroused great interest in the New World.

Second Voyage to North America

In 1608, Champlain returned to North America with a group of settlers. He founded the settlement of Quebec on the St. Lawrence River. Quebec

became the capital of New France and the center of French exploration in North America.

Exploration of the St. Lawrence River and the Great Lakes

Champlain spent the next several years exploring the St. Lawrence River and the Great Lakes. He mapped the coastline and identified the major rivers and lakes. Champlain's maps were essential for the development of the fur trade in North America.

Conflict with the Iroquois

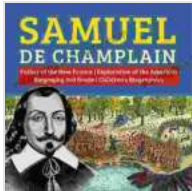
Champlain's explorations brought him into conflict with the Iroquois Confederacy. The Iroquois were a powerful league of Native American tribes that controlled the fur trade in the Great Lakes region. Champlain allied himself with the Algonquin and Huron tribes, who were enemies of the Iroquois.

Champlain's Legacy

Samuel de Champlain is considered the father of New France. His explorations helped to establish the French empire in North America and paved the way for the settlement of Canada. Champlain's maps and accounts of his voyages were essential for the development of the fur trade and the exploration of the interior of North America.

Samuel de Champlain was a daring explorer and a skilled cartographer. His explorations helped to shape the history of North America and left a lasting legacy in the form of the French empire in Canada.

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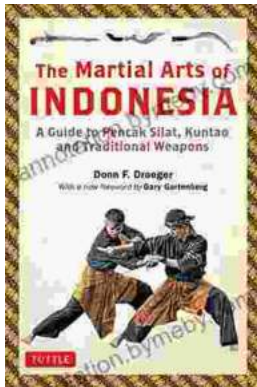
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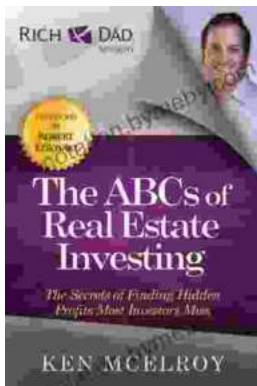
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