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Sommario/riassunto

Told from an ordinary man's perspective, these are the journal and letters of Wilhelm Weike as he accompanied Franz Boas the father of modern anthropology on his journey to the arctic from 1883 to 1884. This extraordinary document of early arctic history provides a plain, direct view of the Inuit and the whalers in their arctic environment at the end of the 19th century. With invaluable contextual and complementary information, this book contributes key insights during the recent wave of scientific assessment of Franz Boas's legacy in all social sciences.
