Record Nr. UNINA9910823338303321 Autore Bassler Gerhard P. <1937-> Titolo Vikings to U-Boats: the German experience in Newfoundland and Labrador / / Gerhard P. Bassler Montreal; ; Ithaca, : McGill-Queen's University Press, c2006 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-7735-8077-8 1-282-86754-7 9786612867545 0-7735-7709-2 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (389 p.) Collana McGill-Queen's studies in ethnic history. Series 2;; 21 Disciplina 971.800431 Soggetti Germans - Newfoundland and Labrador - History Newfoundland and Labrador History Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto "I was born where wine and grapes are no rarity": first contacts -- "The Esquimaux ... cannot be in better hands": the Moravian Mission in Labrador -- From Hamburg bread to turbines: expanding contacts in the nineteenth century -- "Venturesome sons of the fatherland": immigrants, sojourners, and visitors, 1870-1914 -- "Few of civilization's blessings": images, impressions, and perceptions -- "I have with great patience withstood many insults": the enemy alien experience, 1914-1919 -- "I can get another Hiscock anytime, but I cannot get a Weber": newcomers after the War, 1919-1939 --"Backwoodsmen of the sea": Germans look at Newfoundland between the World Wars -- "We should first look to British stock": Germans deemed undesirable? -- "I had been loyal to the country": internment operations and experiences, 1939-1945 -- "Can the leopard change its

Sommario/riassunto

Vikings to U-Boats explores the colony's hidden multicultural history, examining both sides of the German-Newfoundland/Labrador experience. From first recorded contacts to the end of World War II, Bassler traces the lives of German-speaking fishermen, musicians,

spots?" The Nazi Fifth-Column experince, 1939-1945 -- "The spy

among us": the U-boat syndrome.

doctors, engineers, and entrepreneurs. He reconstructs the historical reality behind U-Boat and spy stories and analyses the change in status of the colony's German-speaking people from neighbours to "enemy aliens." Vikings to U-Boats challenges the assumption that the history of Newfoundland and Labrador was shaped solely by English-speakers from the British Isles.