



The Golden Age of Helena Montana Architecture (Paperback)

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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.The most distinguishing remnant from the 1860s Montana Gold Rush remains Helena s striking and statuesque architecture mirroring the prosperity of the era. The concentration of wealth proved unprecedented within both the community and Montana territory. Marques Vickers The Golden Age of Helena Architecture illustrates the preserved diversity and beauty of the city s commercial, residential districts, picturesque churches, attractions and historical background that distinguishes Montana state capital city. In 1888, approximately fifty millionaires inhabited Helena, elevating its status as the highest concentration of wealth per capita within the United States. Such eminence and prosperity were doomed by the characteristics of the source and by the continued expansion and development of the West. The precious metal industry proved incapable of sustaining wealth stabilization. The volatile value fluctuations and its inherent boom and bust nature evaporated fortunes as rapidly as creating them. The Golden era spawned ostentatious displays of Victorian architecture. Several were employed in a thriving local brothel industry, servicing the miners and more affluent community leaders. Strolling the neighborhoods connecting the historic downtown with the state capital buildings freezes a visual...



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