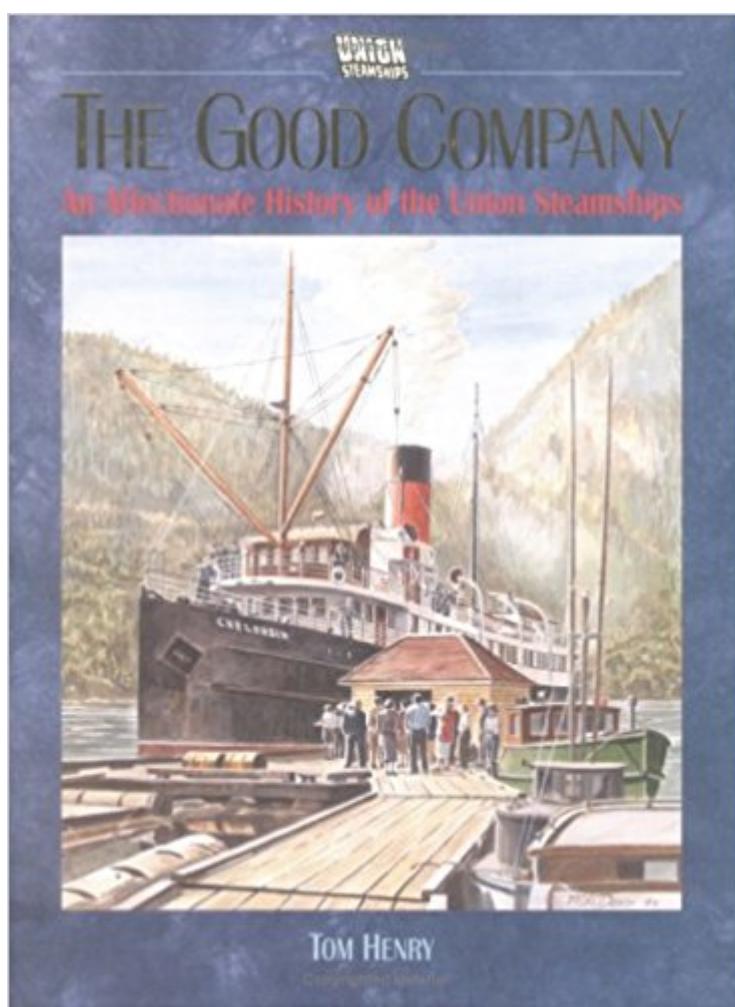


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This book is the history of a steamship company that was such an important part of the history of British Columbia. It's very well written. I feel like I was right there with the workers and the passengers who traveled so many miles on this steamship line. I could have ridden on this line IF I had only known about it which would truly have made the book come alive for me. It's all part of British Columbia history now.

This is a very interesting book about the Union Steamship Line that operated on the BC coast for many years. I have a number of books on this subject and this is the best written one, with a good number of interesting pictures as well. I recommend it, if you are interested in this topic.

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