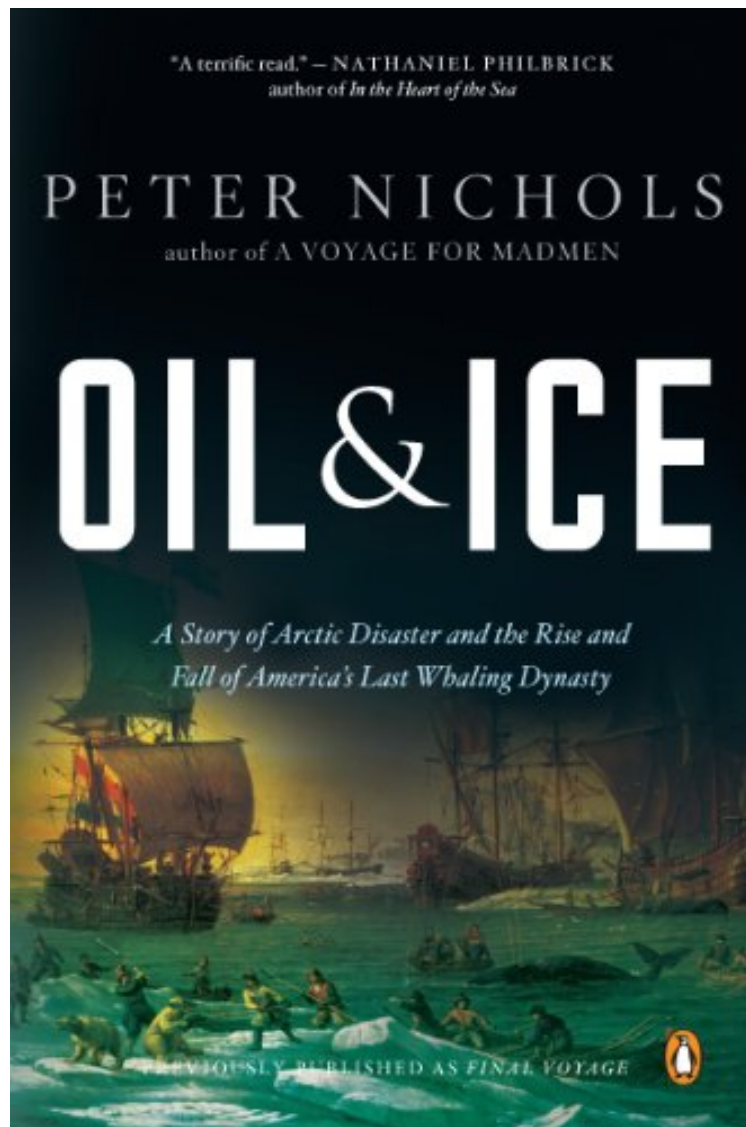


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ago and as I read the book I could walk up and down the streets as they were named and picture each place. The New Bedford Whaling Museum is such a treasure. If possible one should take a trip and visit it before or after they read the book. It is one thing to read about how they cut up the whales but then to see the equipment used adds to the awe of how these people lived. I cannot even envision taking a family on board. I grew up hearing stories of Hetty Green and 'Colonel Green.' I learned something new about Dartmouth—never knew it was so big in size. We always referred to it as a hick town. These men and women had guts is all I can say. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Don Conti Excellent book well written and a great story. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Used to be called Final Voyage By R. Jones Apparently they had to change the name. Probably because it mostly concerns the minutiae of the New Bedford whaling industry, and less with the story of survival at sea. Boring to boot, and I usually like his books.

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