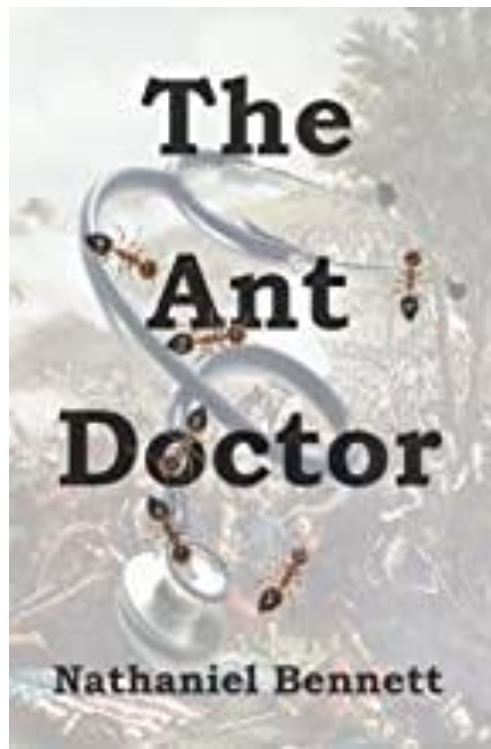


The Ant Doctor



By Nathaniel Bennett

Reviewed by Esther J. Hildahl

I purchased *The Ant Doctor* because I liked its cover and title. I was anxious to read it to see who or what the ant doctor was. The story began with a young man lying in the hot sun in pain. He thinks he may have been shot but wasn't sure. He ached all over, was miserable and worst of all, he had this sensation of crawling all over his body. After a while, he discovered, to his horror, that the crawling sensation was due to red ants, and they were eating him alive!

His name is Daryl Hagen. And thus, began the story of his and his family's history. It's a good story of the Old South, the evil institution of slavery, slave catchers, abolitionists, and the Civil War.

This book is well-written, full of interesting characters, both good and evil. And it has a satisfying ending. I recommend this book for one and all.

Reviewed by Larry Danek

I took this book to read while on a round trip flight of three hours each way. I planned to read one half in each direction but found it hard to put down. I finished the book in my hotel room despite a hectic schedule. This Civil War era novel was well researched and quite entertaining. I did find the book wasn't written in a straightforward way and bounced around a bit through different time periods. It caused me to stop and think back to where the current chapter related to a past one. It didn't stop me from enjoying the book and I highly recommend it.



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