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John Mitchell Jr. was a fearless editor who fought for justice and truth. His story is a gripping tale of courage, corruption, and the power of the press.

Mitchell was born in New York City in 1870. His father was a successful businessman, and his mother was a devout Catholic. Mitchell attended Columbia University, where he studied journalism. After graduating, he worked for several newspapers in New York City, before joining the staff of the New York World in 1897.

The New York World was one of the most influential newspapers in the country. It was owned by Joseph Pulitzer, a Hungarian immigrant who had made his fortune in the newspaper business. Pulitzer was a liberal and a progressive, and he used his newspaper to promote his political views.

Mitchell shared Pulitzer's political beliefs, and he guickly rose through the

ranks at the New York World.

In 1903, Mitchell became the editor of the New York World. He was only 33

years old, but he was already a respected journalist. Mitchell was known for

his fairness, his integrity, and his willingness to fight for what he believed in.

One of Mitchell's most famous battles was against the Standard Oil

Company. Standard Oil was a powerful monopoly that controlled the oil

industry in the United States. Mitchell exposed Standard Oil's corrupt

practices, and he helped to break up the company.

Mitchell's work earned him a Pulitzer Prize in 1904. He was the first

journalist to win the Pulitzer Prize for journalism.

But Mitchell's career was not without controversy. He was often accused of

being too liberal, and he was even criticized by some of his own

colleagues. In 1912, Mitchell resigned from the New York World after a

dispute with Pulitzer.

Mitchell continued to work as a journalist after leaving the New York World.

He wrote for several magazines and newspapers, and he also taught

journalism at Columbia University. Mitchell died in 1918 at the age of 48.

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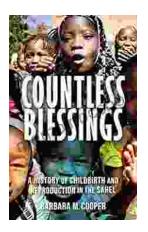
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