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**Life in the Far West**-George Frederick Ruxton 1859

In the Old West, by George Frederick Ruxton, as it was in the Old Days of Kit Carson and the "mountain Men," Ed. by Horace Kephart-George Frederick Augustus Ruxton 1915

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Wild Life in the Rocky Mountains-George Ruxton 2015-02-06 Wild Life in the Rocky Mountains is the story of the author's trip northward from Mexico to the Rocky Mountains in the 19th century.

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