

Michael Palin knows how to write a good book. It is clear that he is passionate about this story and that comes across in his writing. This book is the story of the ship HMS Erebus which was built in Wales in 1826. The story focussed mainly on the ships two great voyages - to explore in the Antarctic, and then to the Arctic to try and find the elusive North West Passage. As most know this latter journey ended in disaster and Palin tries to work out what went wrong. Most of us enjoyed this book and agreed we would try and read more of Palin's work