

Simon Schama, the author of *The Embarrassment of Riches* and *Citizens*, sets out to tell the history of two certainties, of two deaths. In discussing the speculations surrounding them, he finds himself involved in a history he cannot classify - the unpredictable history of stories. On 13 September 1759, General James Wolfe, having led the British troops up the St Lawrence to victory in the Battle of Quebec, died on the Heights of Abraham. Schama examines this death, and how Wolfe was made to die again - through the spectacular painting by Benjamin West, and through the writings of the 19th-century historian Francis Parkman. Schama's second death concerns Parkman's uncle, George Parkman of Harvard Medical College, who disappeared in 1849 in mysterious circumstances and who was rumoured to have been murdered by a colleague. Through these incidents, Schama sheds light on the writing of history, the history of history, and the relationship of story to history.

David Fincher: *Interviews (Conversations with Filmmakers Series)*, *Boswells Books: Four Generations of Collecting and Collectors*, *Die Henkerstochter und das Spiel des Todes: Historischer Roman (Die Henkerstochter-Saga 6) (German Edition)*, *Chicken Licken*, *Official Report of the Pan-American Flight*,

Wolfe's death on the Plains of Abraham at the Battle of Quebec was from Simon Schama's 'Dead Certainties (Unwarranted Speculations)'. *Dead Certainties* has ratings and 43 reviews. Daniel said: In retrospect I'm surprised I'd never heard of this odd pseudo history, or historical criti. *Dead Certainties (Unwarranted Speculations)*. by Simon Schama. Knopf, pp. , \$ It was bound to happen. Sooner or later a. *Dead Certainties* by Simon Schama *Unwarranted Speculations* But *Dead Certainties* goes beyond these more conventional histories to. Download Citation on ResearchGate *Dead Certainties (Unwarranted Speculations)* On 13 September , General James Wolfe, having led the British.

The book, *Dead Certainties* (Alfred A. Knopf) tells of two seemingly unrelated deaths. One is the battlefield demise of James Wolfe, the hero of. *DEAD CERTAINTIES* by Simon Schama *Unwarranted Speculations* The first narrative is of the death of General James Wolfe on the Plains.

Historian Simon Schama talks about his novel *Dead Certainties: Unwarranted Speculations*.

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