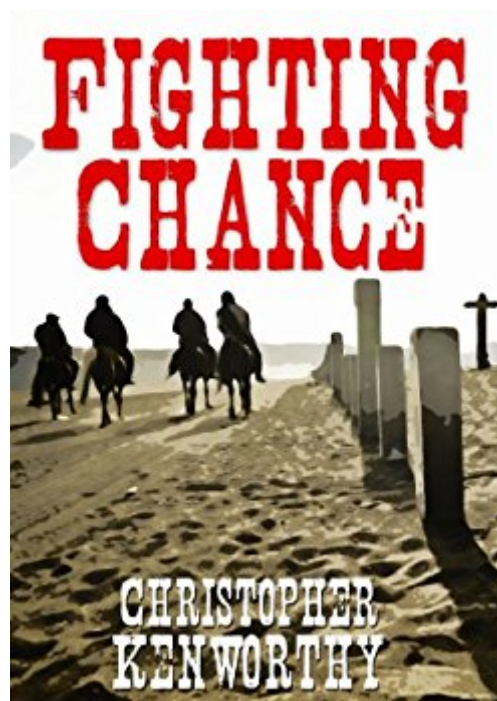


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Fighting Chance



Synopsis

Two wanted bandits - the Driscoll brothers - are on the run from the law. Posing as rangers, they join a group of Mormons making their way along a desert trail. But they can't hide their true natures for long. After a brawl in a tavern one of the brothers shoots a man dead. And in a desperate attempt to escape retribution they take a young woman, Annie, hostage. Obadiah Peabody normally keeps himself to himself. But Annie is like a daughter to him and he feels responsible for her safety. Does Obadiah have a Fighting Chance against the ruthless Driscoll brothers? Or will he and Annie become two more victims on their list of killings? *Fighting Chance* is a thrilling saga of gunplay and romance, perfect for fans of classic Western adventure. Praise for Christopher Kenworthy: 'A thrilling read.' - Robert Foster, acclaimed author of *The Lunar Code*. 'Kenworthy is a craftsman and entertainer.' - Richard Foreman, bestselling author of *The Sword of Rome* series. Christopher Kenworthy was a journalist and novelist. His other Westerns include *Last Shot* and *Hired Gun*, and he has also written two naval fiction series - the John Paul Jones adventures and the *In the Dark of the Moon* saga. Pioneering Press is an imprint of Endeavour Press, the UK's leading independent digital publisher. We publish new and classic westerns by authors from the US and the UK.

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Sometimes it's more interesting to follow the story of the outlaws than the posse following. And I do mean hard, cold, morally wrong outlaws and not the bad boys with a heart of gold types. I wasn't sure where this story was going because there wasn't a clear path and there were several story elements converging and diverging at times. In the end, it was a hard fought, wild ride for which I was happy to go along side. The story opens with the four Driscoll brothers shooting their way out of town after a bank robbery goes belly up. A posse is on their tail and is still there days later. The brothers are as different as night and day, but share the same lack of strong moral fiber. They are in this mess because one couldn't keep his hand off the women. Soon, they encounter a party of travelers and have thoughts of helping themselves to the horses, food, and women, but this group are a bit too savvy and hard-eyed so they join the group headed south toward the Painted Desert. The now enlarged party encounter trouble and make it into a town with the help of an old time tracker, Obadiah Peabody. Again, the brothers find trouble and this time they are backed into a corner. They grab a few women hostages, but make a deadly mistake when one is Obadiah's adopted granddaughter and the love interest of the local gunsmith and another is the daughter of the trail leader for the group they just came in with. Fleeing into the desert and taking their chances again the wilds and the native tribes is their best bet. Hard men are on their trail. Alright, so this one was fairly straight forward until the trail party hits the town down on the desert. Then lots of plot threads enter in.

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