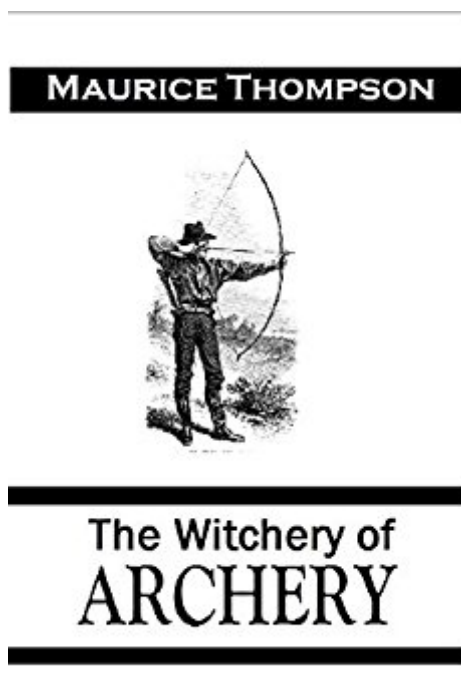


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The Witchery of Archery was the main inspiration for the increase of interest in archery in the United States at the beginning of the century. Dr. R.P. Elmer wrote of it "That wonderful little book has had as much effect on archery as Uncle Tom's Cabin had on the Civil War!"

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I like books written in this era as it is a window in to our past.

Dated but worth the read

Great descriptions of the hunts. Very interesting look at the past.

I chose the 5-star rating purely on the content. Thompson is a good old-school writer with compelling stories and descriptive language. We may disagree with some of his targets today as they are either extinct or endangered, but it is typical of the era. This is good reading, not only for traditional archers and bowyers but anyone intrigued by the outdoors. The period is shortly after the American Civil War, mainly in the Southeast U.S..

Very informative with a tremendous amount of very good information, and how things were back during the Victorian time period for the sport of archery. But back then it seemed to be a way of life!

This is an interesting bit of reading, albeit old school. As a new archer, I have found this book to be a helpful and entertaining. I especially like the section on birds. Never knew these observations and character of birds before.

Ok, not great. Mostly anecdotes about shooting things he doesn't eat.

Just not in to that type of writing. It does have some good stories and some very interesting. Just had trouble staying interested.

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