



## History Story Legend of the Old King s Highway: Now the Richmond Road, Staten Island (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*. Excerpt from History Story Legend of the Old King s Highway: Now the Richmond Road, Staten Island Staten Island, lying as it does opposite the entrance of New York Harbor, was naturally visited by the early explorers and, as its convenience and fertility were great, it was soon apportioned among the first Settlers. Verrazano discovered the Island in Henry Hudson, on September 2, 1609, when he called it Staaten Eylandt in honor of the States General of the Netherlands, in whose interests his expedition was sent out. The Indians were quickly evicted and few, if any, of their traditions remain, though evidences of their former occupancy are found at many points. Without any idea of private ownership in land - or probably much understanding of what they were doing - they sold the Island as often as a purchaser could be found who would pay a few copper kettles or bright colored blankets: First to Michael Pauw, in 1630, the Island having been included in a grant to Pauw by the Dutch proprietors. He called his possessions Pavonia. Other proprietors were David Petersen...



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