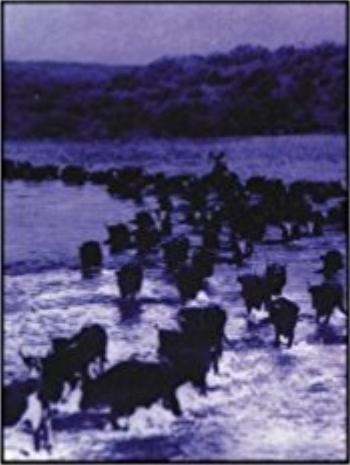


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**THE
CHISHOLM
TRAIL**

IN AMERICAN HISTORY



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Herds moved up the Chisholm Trail from 1867 to 1884. More than a century has passed since, but the way of life and events of those few years has remained a part of America's consciousness.

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