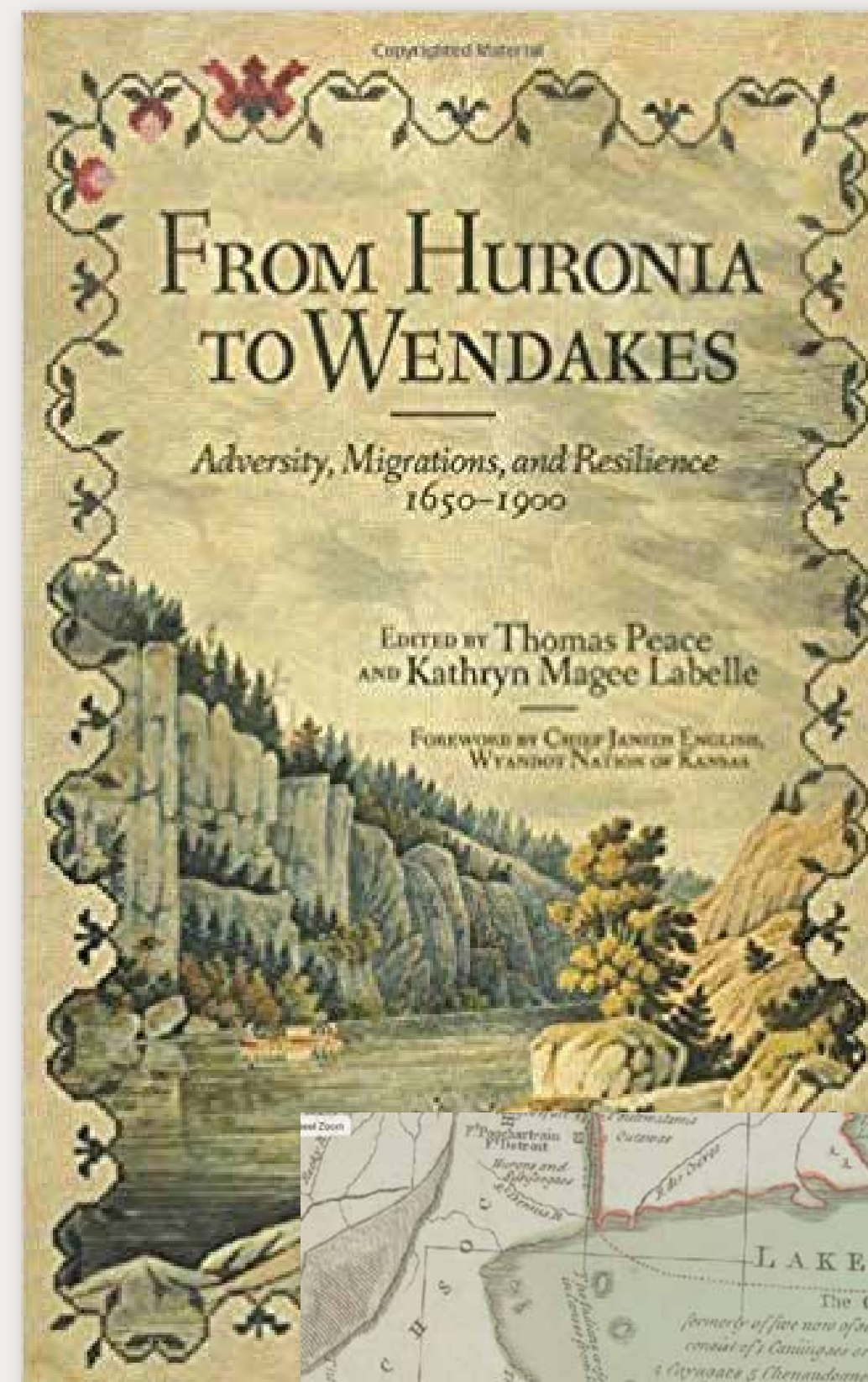




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'Over the Lake': The Western Wendake  
in the American Revolution

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Too often we see the forced removal of Native Americans as cataclysmic and believe that Native Americans “vanished” from history due to such dislocations. This article argues that people like the Wyandots not only survived such a migration from eastern Lake Huron to the area of present-day Detroit in the eighteenth century but that they thrived. Staking out new settlements south of Lake Erie, they remade a Wyandot homeland similar to the one they had abandoned. This new homeland, a new Wendake, allowed them to cope with the effects of colonialism and to navigate a potentially disastrous event, the American Revolution.

