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"Handsomely illustrated....The interpretations of [the artists'] work are thoughtful." (*Atlantic Monthly*)

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