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Adding to a dynamic new wave of scholarship in Atlantic history, *The Loyal Atlantic* offers fresh interpretations of the key role played by Loyalism in shaping the early modern British Empire. This cohesive collection investigates how Loyalism and the empire were mutually constituted and reconstituted from the eighteenth century onward. Featuring contributions by authors from across Canada, the United States, and the United Kingdom, *The Loyal Atlantic* brings Loyalism into a genuinely international focus. Through cutting-edge archival research, *The Loyal Atlantic* contextualizes Loyalism within the larger history of the British Empire. It also details how, far from being a passive allegiance, Loyalism changed in unexpected and fascinating ways - especially in times of crisis. Most importantly, *The Loyal Atlantic* demonstrates that neither the conquest of Canada nor the American Revolution can be properly understood without assessing the meanings of Loyalism in the wider Atlantic world.
