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devoted to Rome's merchant marine and her trade with the east, provides an improved text of the *Periplus*, along with a lucid and reliable translation, a comprehensive general commentary that treats in particular the numerous obscure place-names and technical terms that occur, and a technical commentary that deals with grammatical, lexicographical, and textual matters for readers competent in Greek. An extensive introduction places the *Periplus* in its historical context.
