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This book brings together in one volume the best and most recent scholarship on congressional collections, providing necessary information for institutions developing their political documentary resources and working toward greater accessibility of political archives.

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