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an important book for students and scholars of colonialism, labour history and the Asia Pacific region."--Bloomsbury Publishing.
