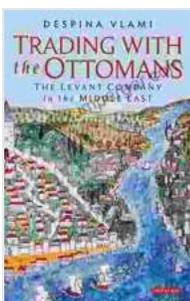
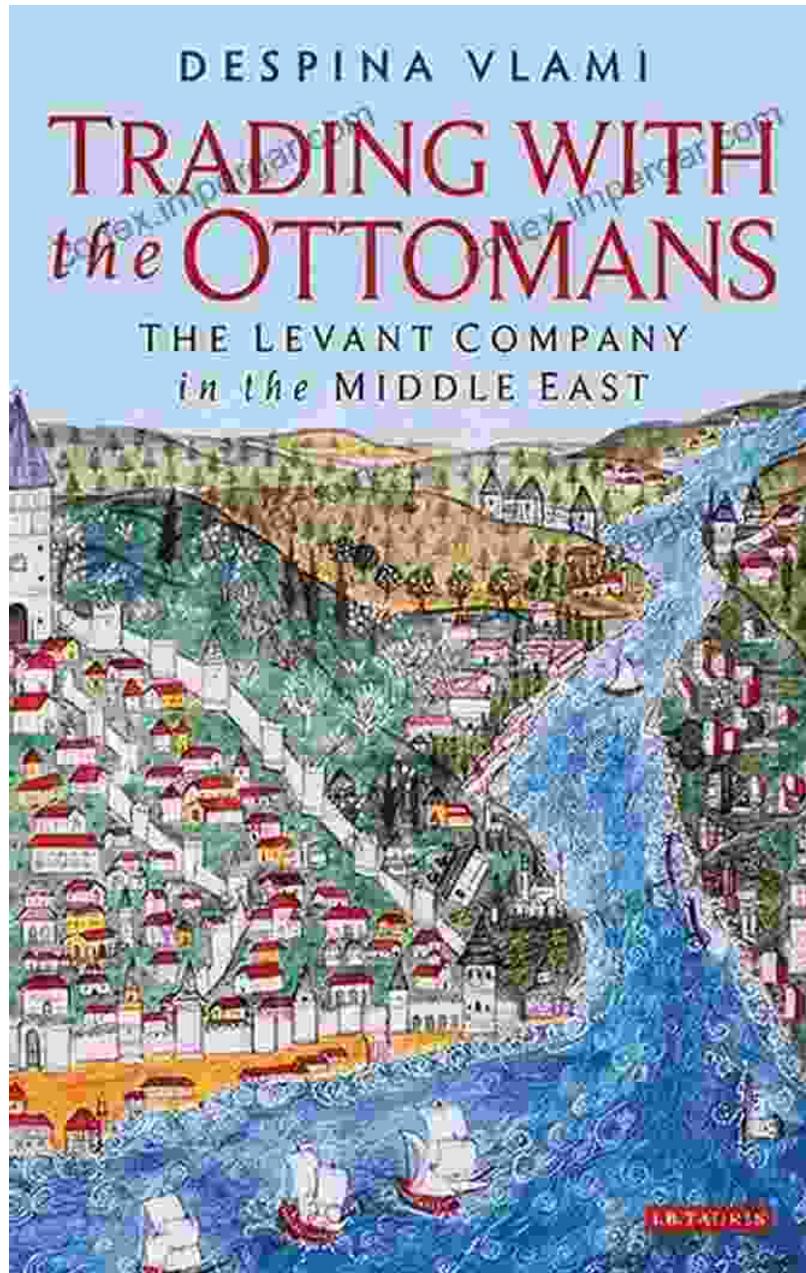


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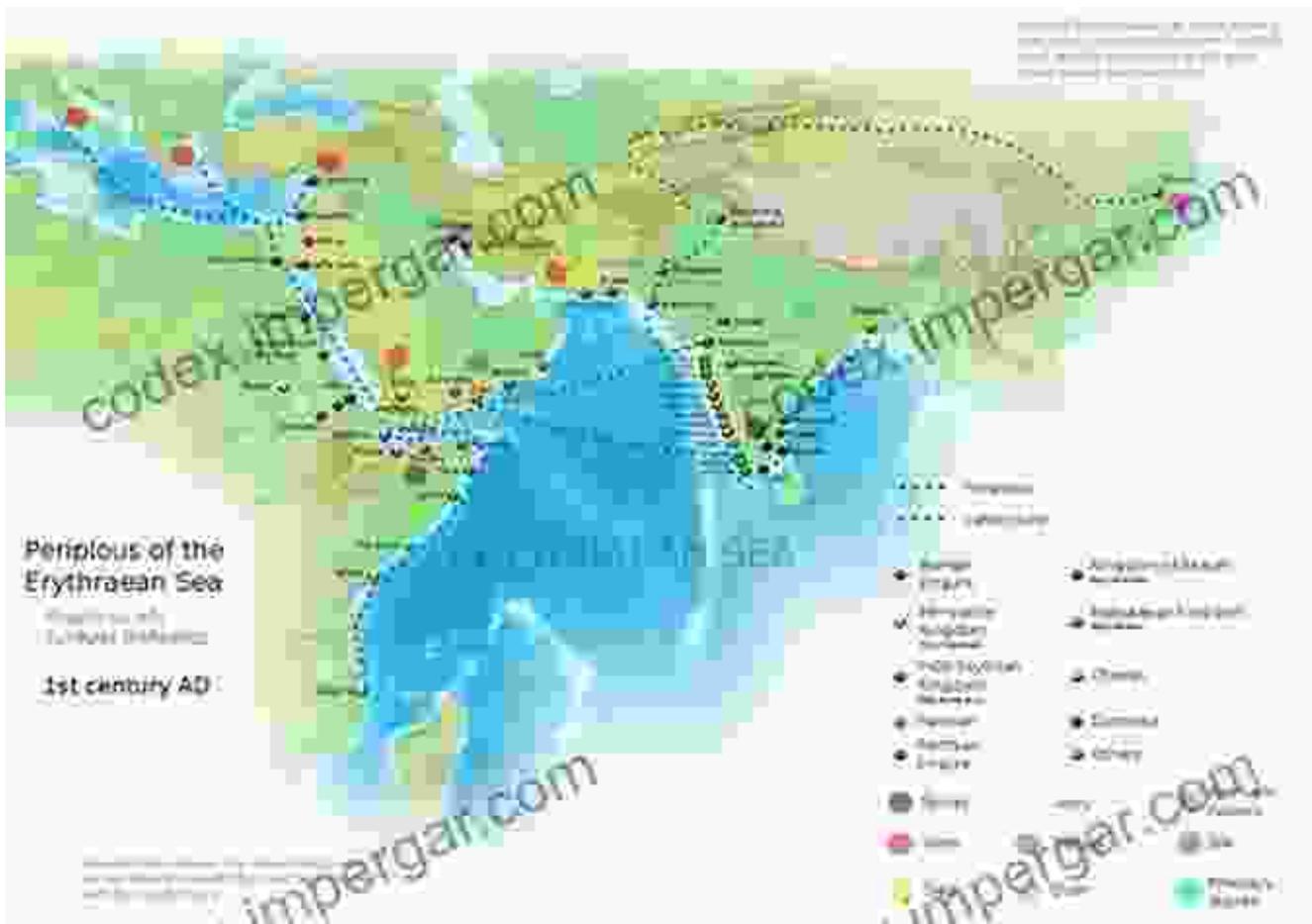


The Origins and Establishment of the Levant Company

The Levant Company, also known as the Turkey Company, traces its roots to the 16th century. In 1581, Queen Elizabeth I granted a royal charter to a group of English merchants, empowering them to trade and establish commercial ventures in the Ottoman Empire. This charter laid the foundation for the Levant Company, which quickly rose to prominence as a major player in the region's economy.

Commercial Expansion and Global Trade

Under the leadership of enterprising merchants and shrewd diplomats, the Levant Company established trading posts and warehouses throughout the Middle East. From Alexandria to Istanbul, from Aleppo to Damascus, the company's presence was felt in every major commercial center. The Levant Company traded in a wide range of goods, including textiles, spices, coffee, tobacco, and luxury items.



The Levant Company's Global Trade Network

Cultural Exchange and Diplomatic Diplomacy

Beyond its commercial activities, the Levant Company played a significant role in promoting cultural exchange between Europe and the Ottoman Empire. English merchants and diplomats interacted with local traders, artisans, and scholars, transmitting new ideas and technologies. This exchange enriched both civilizations, influencing art, literature, and scientific thought.

The Levant Company also served as an important diplomatic channel between England and the Ottoman Empire. Company officials mediated

disputes, negotiated treaties, and facilitated cultural exchanges. Their presence in the region provided a unique perspective on Ottoman politics and society.



The Levant Company in the Middle East Library of Ottoman Studies

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Edited by Dr. Leslie Peirce, a renowned scholar of Ottoman history, the book features contributions from leading academics and experts on the Levant Company. Through in-depth research and meticulous analysis, this

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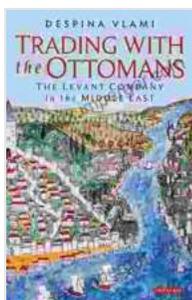
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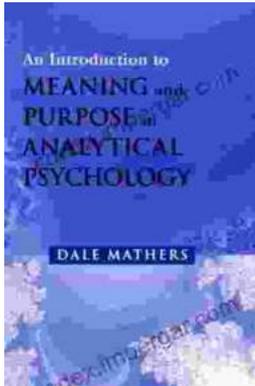
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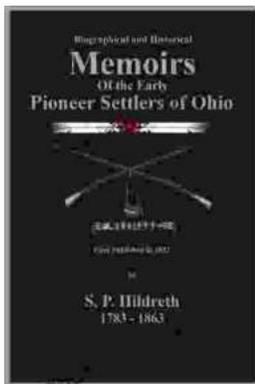
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