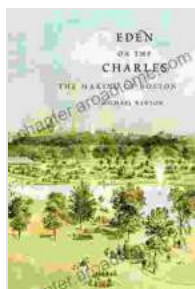


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McCullough begins his story with the arrival of the Puritans in Boston in 1630. These religious refugees were seeking a place where they could practice their faith freely. They established a strict and pious community, but they also laid the foundation for Boston's future as a center of learning and culture. In the 18th century, Boston became a hotbed of revolutionary activity. The city's leading citizens, such as Samuel Adams and John Hancock, played a key role in organizing the American Revolution. Boston was also the site of some of the most important battles of the war, including the Battle of Bunker Hill and the Boston Massacre.

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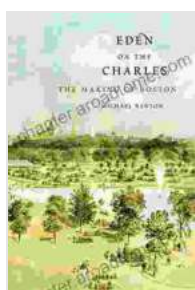
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