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Economic Revival, Wars of Religion, European Leadership**
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The Thirty Years' War: A Critical Re-Evaluation- Steinberg

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