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Older book bur interesting from perspective of 100 years ago. Quaint style not well edited but shows older attitudes among US citizens at time of Canal construction.

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