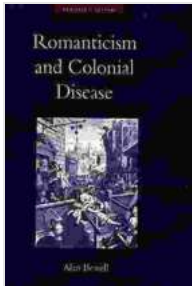


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In the era of European expansion, Romanticism emerged as a literary and cultural movement that profoundly influenced Western thought and imagination. Simultaneously, the rise of colonial disease medicine marked a pivotal chapter in the history of medicine and cross-cultural encounters.

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The book traces the literary manifestations of colonial disease medicine in Romantic works. It analyzes how writers such as Mary Shelley, John Keats,

and Edgar Allan Poe incorporated medical themes and imagery into their narratives, exploring the psychological and social implications of disease in colonial contexts.

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By analyzing medical texts, travelogues, and scientific reports, the book reveals the ways in which European notions of disease were imposed on non-Western populations, contributing to the formation of cultural stereotypes and the marginalization of indigenous healing practices.

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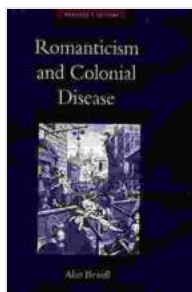
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