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The history of the 17th century is a story of great events and great men. It is a story of the struggle for power between the king and the people, and of the struggle for freedom of the individual. It is a story of the rise of the nation-state, and of the fall of the empire. It is a story of the great discoveries of science, and of the great advances of art. It is a story of the great wars, and of the great peace. It is a story of the great men who have shaped the world, and of the great women who have made it what it is today.