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Brings together contributors to examine the responses of various segments of American and European society to the Harpers Ferry Raid and John Brown's execution. The incidents were widely publicised, and their meanings were hotly debated. The debates contributed to Northern antipathy to slavery.

From the Back Cover Much has been written about John Brown and his ill-fated raid on Harpers Ferry, but as Brown himself recognized, his power would be greater in death than in life. This is the first book length examination of

Brown's legacy: what different segment of American society, with their differing aspirations, fears, and purposes, made of Brown's attempt to foment a slave rebellion and his subsequent trial and execution.