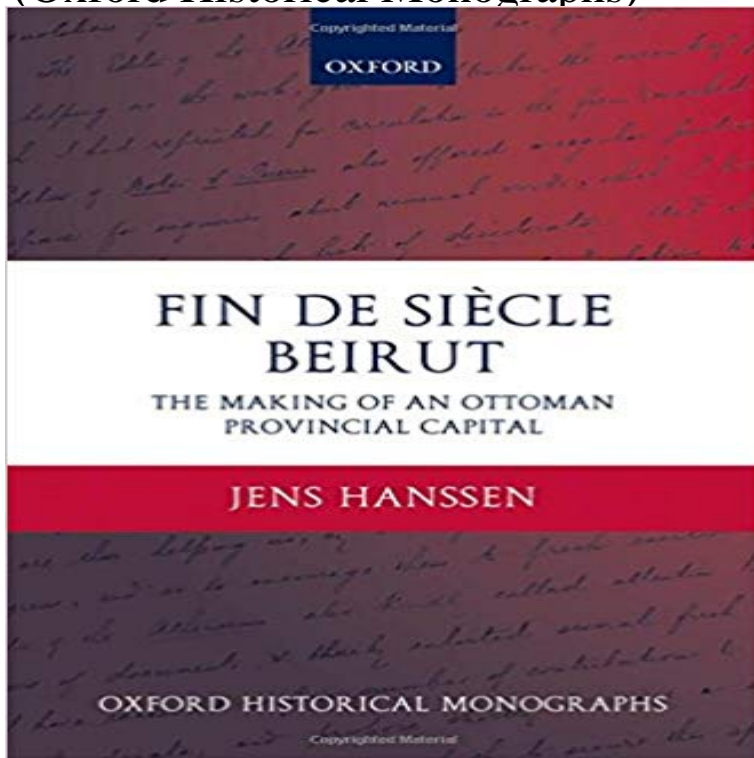


# Fin de Siècle Beirut: The Making of an Ottoman Provincial Capital (Oxford Historical Monographs)



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