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a times best historical fiction book of the year a cosmopolitan best book of the year a history today book of the year dunant has made completely her own the story of the italy s most infamous ruling family in a way that we can see hear and smell mark lawson guardian a stunning tale of power and family in dunant s telling of the borgia story lucrezia is not the sluttish power crazed poisoner of legend her glorious prose makes her version irresistible antonia senior the times stuffed with violence danger and passion daily mail conjuring up the past in all its complexity horror and pleasures in the name of the family confirms sarah dunant s place as the leading novelist of the renaissance and one of the most acclaimed historical fiction writers of our age in the name of the family as blood and beauty did before holds up a mirror to a turbulent moment of history sweeping aside the myths to bring alive the real borgia family complicated brutal passionate and glorious here is a thrilling exploration of the house of borgia s doomed years in the company of a young diplomat named niccolo machiavelli it is 1502 and rodrigo borgia a self confessed womaniser and master of political corruption is now on the papal throne as alexander vi his daughter lucrezia aged twenty two already thrice married and a pawn in her father s plans is discovering her own power and then there is cesare borgia brilliant ruthless and increasingly unstable it is his relationship with the diplomat machiavelli which offers a master class on the dark arts of power and politics what machiavelli learns will go on to inform his great work of modern politics the prince but while the pope rails against old age and his son s increasing maverick behavior it is lucrezia who will become the borgia survivor taking on her enemies and creating her own place in history

ny ny 79 1700 45 excerpt from a guide to the best historical novels and tales four years ago vide dr baker s kindly allusion in the preface to his admirable work just named it was hinted that the guide was somewhat lacking in its degree of com prehensiveness such a criticism could scarcely be maintained now if there is still exclusion to some extent there is fourth edition inclusion to a very much larger extent i have allowed the utmost elasticity in my later decisions as to his torical qualification how comprehensive has been my selection may be judged from the fact that while in my enlarged third edition the annotated lists covered between twelve and thirteen hundred novels and tales i have now passed under review about seventeen hundred more in the total of nearly three thousand novels and tales thus reached over two thousand are not to be found in mr bowen s catalogue and some thirteen hundred are absent from dr baker s lists comprehensiveness alone however would be a poor advantage and i believe that in its present form besides being the largest bibliography of its kind the guide is also the most accurate and this brings me to say a few words about certain special aims that i have striven my utmost to embody in the large supplementary portion of this edition more and more i have come to see that in a reference book of the kind making its appeal to readers of all ages and of varying tastes there should be large catholicity and nowhere is such inclusiveness more desirable than in the case of juvenile stories the shortest and simplest tale if it in any way illustrates a bygone period may prove of use and of interest about the publisher forgotten books publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books find more at forgottenbooks com this book is a reproduction of an important historical work forgotten books uses state of the art technology to digitally reconstruct the work preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy in rare cases an imperfection in the original such as a blemish or missing page may be replicated in our edition we do however repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works

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to read or not to read sons of scotland sweep me away the story will stay burning in my mind for days to come as the final page turns craney has woven a well crafted interesting tale historical novel society one of the best historical fiction novels i have read in a long time a wonderful weaving of history adventure love conflict and more 2readandreviewed 19 one of national book tokens 23 books to read in 2023 a times literary supplement summer book 2023 my name is morgan and there aren t enough words for all that i am when king uther pendragon murders her father and tricks her mother into marriage morgan refuses to be crushed trapped amid the machinations of men in a world of isolated castles and gossiping courts she discovers secret powers vengeful and brilliant it s not long before morgan becomes a worthy adversary to merlin influential sorcerer to the king but fighting for her freedom she risks losing everything her reputation her loved ones and her life an atmospheric feminist retelling of the early life of famed villainess morgan le fay set against the colourful chivalric backdrop of arthurian legend

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