

that they will not be disappointed. I know  
‘A reviewer, on turning the pages of a first novel, shares the hope of the lapidary  
fondling a strange jewel that ‘here is a “find” at once rare and beautiful.

‘H.E. Bates, a young English author, commands and justifies this hope with  
his first novel, *The Two Sisters*. The poetic quality of Mr. Bates’s prose, his  
sensitiveness to his characters, and his flash of beauty herald a writer of charm and  
distinction. Here is a first novel which has the definite flavour of a new individual,  
one who, if he chooses the difficult path of art, is destined to go far.’

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