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Capetanakis, poet, philosopher and literary critic, died of an incurable disease in London in 1944, at the age of 32. He had been in England for barely five years but during that time had achieved such mastery of the English language that he began to write poems in English. In all he completed only seventeen poems. John Lehmann calls them '.one of the most astonishing literary achievements I have ever come across.' Published here for the first time as a separate monograph, the poems have lost none of that strange concentrated power of which Edith Sitwell speaks in her introduction and the best of them ensure for their author a place, however modest, among the few poets who in the 20th century have made a lasting contribution to the heritage of English poetry.



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