



Reminiscent Rhymes, and Other Verse (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, 2018. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from Reminiscent Rhymes, and Other Verse The true poet, in fact, has always been earth-earthy, full of red blood, robust, heroic, manly and venturesome. He will not be fettered nor constrained. He is naturally doubting, rebellious, and irreverent. From Omar to Shakespeare, Goethe, Schiller, Heine, Pope, Burns, Voltaire, Byron, Shelley, Keats, Hugo, Tennyson, Swinburne, Lowell, Emerson, Whittier and Whitman, we find great-bodied and great-brained men who were forever blazing the fires of revolt against established tyrannies, customs, creeds and beliefs. These are the rugged, fiery and defiant souls in whom nature has enshrined her greatest verse. Let me stand bravely in such ranks, however far adown the line the space I occupy. I have made no greater attempt than to write commonplace verse for the common mind. There is room for every minor poet. There is no verse from the simplest to the greatest but matches some minds. By tests I have made, I am certain that my verse will fit the minds of some. I am just as certain that it will misfit the minds of many. Like most others...

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