



Joseph Hergesheimer: An Essay in Interpretation (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Joseph Hergesheimer: An Essay in Interpretation So say they, speak they, and tell they the tale, in literary gossip, that Joseph Hergesheimer wrote for a long while before an iota of his typing was transmuted into author s proof. And the tale tells how for fourteen years he could find nowhere any magazine editor to whose present needs a Hergesheimer story was quite suited. It is my belief that in approaching Mr. Hergesheimer s work one should bear constantly in mind those fourteen years, for to me they appear, not uncuriously, to have shaped and colored every book he has thus far published. The actual merit of the writing done during that period of unavailability is - here, at least - irrelevant. It is not the point of the fable that he high-heartedly wrote a story to which, when completed, his unbiased judgment could not quite honestly deny such deference as is due to a literary masterpiece; and which, through some odd error, was rejected by a magazine that every month was publishing vastly inferior...



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