



The Evergreen Tree: A Masque of Christmas Time for Community Singing and Acting (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 The Evergreen Tree: A Masque of Christmas Time for Community Singing and Acting Always an evergreen tree points up at a star. Always a star looks somewhere down on the cradle of a child. Always, once in the year, a child laughs up at ever green boughs. Tree, star and child are triune in the poetry of nature - a constellation of man that never sets. The antic mirth, the naive awe of paganism, the joy and passion of Christianity, are masks happy and tragic which the Folk Spirit of childhood has worn for ages, and shall wear for ages more, in ritual of a tree that never dies. On the verge of No-Man s-Land, where the blasted earth reels amid war s stench and thunder; in calm cathedrals, to carolling choirs; by lonely chimney sides, or amid the young, tense assemblies of army camps, Christmas - this Christmas of our new age - grows again in the ancient greenness of a little tree. How may we, too, do it homage? Not forgetting the old...



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