



Hobson s Choice: A Lancashire Comedy in Four Acts (Classic Reprint) (Hardback)

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Forgotten Books, 2017. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from Hobson s Choice: A Lancashire Comedy in Four Acts His most noteworthy examples of the one-act form are, perhaps, Spring in Bloomsbury, a realistic picture of the hopeless struggle of mediocrity as exemplified in a conscientious but ungifted young London clerk; it is a successful example of what has been defined as the drama of revolt The Price of Coal, a swift little play depicting in bold colours the uncertainties and hazards of the miner s life; it was originally written in Lancashire dialect, but for its first performance by the Glasgow Repertory Com pany it was transposed into the Scottish idiom, in which form it was played several hundred times in Great Britain as a curtain-raiser to Bunty Pulls the Strings, and, especially, Lonesome-like, which belongs to the same genre as Hobson s Choice and in which the author reaches a very high development of the one-act form. The theme is simple. A shy young engineer, his sensitive and unconsciously poetic nature stunted intellectually by the rough atmos phere of factory life, is suffering from loneliness since the death of...

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