



A Glimpse Into the Past (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from A Glimpse Into the Past To be brought face to face with the heroes and monarchs of the ancient world, to see them in their habit as they lived, to know the countries over which they bore rule, the sports and. Pastimes with which they amused themselves and their subjects, the wars they prosecuted and the victories which they won, we have but to open a cabinet of ancient coins. In a moment we are in a fairy land. At will we can transport ourselves back almost to the first eras of human life at will we can raise before our eyes a vision of the past, the long-spent past of centuries buried in the dust of ages, but as vivid and as ineffaceable as though it were of today. Coins and coinage betoken that the last steps have been taken by a community in its progress towards civilization. Rude indeed is the condition of a tribe whose daily wants are to be supplied by a barter of commodities. From actual value to a representation of value is a vast stride, only...



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