



Book of Nonsense: A Volume of Limericks (Paperback)

By Edward Lear

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, 2015. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Book of Nonsense by Edward Lear - In 1846 Lear published A Book of Nonsense, a volume of limericks that went through three editions and helped popularize the form and the genre of literary nonsense. In 1871 he published Nonsense Songs, Stories, Botany and Alphabets, which included his most famous nonsense song, The Owl and the Pussycat, which he wrote for the children of his patron Edward Stanley, 13th Earl of Derby. Many other works followed. Lear s nonsense books were quite popular during his lifetime, but a rumor developed that Edward Lear was merely a pseudonym, and the books true author was the man to whom Lear had dedicated the works, his patron the Earl of Derby. Promoters of this rumor offered as evidence the facts that both men were named Edward, and that Lear is an anagram of Earl. Lear s nonsense works are distinguished by a facility of verbal invention and a poet s delight in the sounds of words, both real and imaginary. A stuffed rhinoceros becomes a diaphanous doorscraper. A blue Boss-Woss plunges into a perpendicular, spicular,...



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