



Ponteach, or the Savages of America: A Tragedy (Classic Reprint) (Hardback)

By Robert Rogers

Forgotten Books, 2018. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from Ponteach, or the Savages of America: A Tragedy And in a measure Rogers was right; for the tragedy is one that can scarcely be forgotten; and waiving its merely curious attraction as the strange product of an American backwoodsman suddenly transported to the center of anglo-saxon civilization and fashion, its chief claim to a reprieve from oblivion lies in those historical elements upon which Rogers mistakenly hoped to base a temporary appeal. Parkman and other writers upon the period have attested its value by a liberal use of it as a source. In his military service at Albany and the forts immediately north, in his rangings over upper New York and lower Canada, and in his survey of the lake posts at the close of the Seven Years War, Rogers had by 1762 familiarized himself with the conditions of Indian life and the strange facts evoked by the attempted adjustment to it of English authority, commerce, and agriculture; he had, indeed, engaged in the trade himself, and so had felt both a soldier's and a merchant's concern in...



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