



## Verses of a Short Life: Poems and Poetical Quips of Lewis Woodruff Hornblower (1883-1913) (Classic Reprint)

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By Lewis Woodruff Hornblower

Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Excerpt from Verses of a Short Life: Poems and Poetical Quips of Lewis Woodruff Hornblower (1883-1913) He who could breathe the incense of the East Listen to music of the Southern palms, Thrill at the thunders of our Western strife And glimpse the frozen glitter of the North, Could walk with sages on Parnassus slopes, Gaze upon Eleusynian mysteries, Romp with the young Olympians at play And stroll in palace gardens of bright clouds - Would you ask him to plod the travelled path, Straight and unswerving, deaf to wildwood calls, Closing his eyes to flowers along the edge, Steeling his heart against fair frolic s lures? Your life is not the route for such a one; Your guide-posts merely mock him riddlewise; Your rules are not the vestments that will fit The lithe, quick-darting movements of his soul. He wearies on your smoothest, proudest street; He sickens where your dull, gray pavement runs; And, tho he help you drive your market-wain, Bending him to the work with honest zeal - One moment s pause; his heart...



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