



Songs Adrift: Gems from an Old Scrap Book (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Songs Adrift: Gems From an Old Scrap Book It is surprising how many really good and stirring poems go floating up and down the currents of the great sea of literature, with never an author to claim them, and never a publisher to gather them into a volume. They take their start in a corner of a weekly paper, or deep in the recesses of a magazine, are scissored from one paper to another, and at last find quiet resting places in somebody's scrap-book. They are usually the one or two heart-stirring songs of a poet who is never able to match them afterwards, and who, in despair, abandons them to their fate; but sometimes they are the isolated ones which the world selects to remember, while the volume containing their duller companions slumbers unread on a forgotten shelf; and sometimes they are the only songs which some master-mind of prose has permitted itself to sing; but in any case, they have no home, no associations, no harbor of refuge - literary waifs on...



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