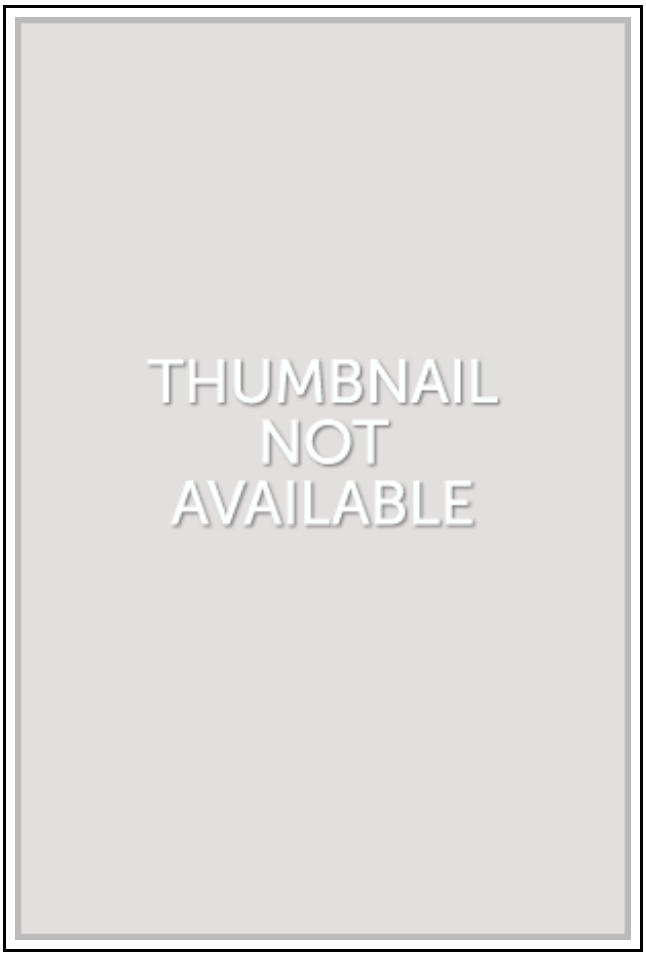
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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Glimpses of Old Bombay and Western India: With Other Papers By the kindness of the proprietors of the Calcutta Review, Pioneer, Times of India, and the Bombay Gazette, the papers of which this volume consists are now published, after revision, in a collected form. They are mostly on Bombay and Western India, as were the two volumes under that title published in 1893. Humanly speaking, this is the last stone I shall heave on to the cairn of Old Bombay, Now that all the parts of the contribution are brought together, they appear to me to form a crude and heterogeneous mass, whilst their defects are accentuated. But the labour of research and preparation has been one of love, a delightful pastime for many years in the intervals of a busy life; and my hope is that the investigations I have made will encourage a young and rising generation to follow up this attractive study, while the minds of others may be refreshed by stories of the olden time. To the many friends (and their name is legion) who have assisted me in various ways I tender my warmest thanks. To the native and the European, but chiefly to the latter, Bombay is a city of temporary habitation. Men and women come here and go away, and the place that knew them knows them no more. There is little of the continuity of tradition from father to son. Take the plague, for example. No one by tradition knows anything about it - contrasting with the knowledge upon the subject in Venice, or Genoa, or in Edinburgh. With such a fluctuating population, here to-day, there to-morrow,...

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