



A Woman's Vengeance: A Novel (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 A Woman s Vengeance: A Novel It is early summer and early morning in the most picturesque of English cities - Oxford. Nobody is astir in the gray streets; the heavy college gates, and even the small posters cut in them (for the admission of gay young under-graduate dogs after hours), are as yet fast closed. The parks and pleasure-grounds are all deserted, under whose stately trees so many generations I of youth have dreamed their day-dreams. The quads, with their trim lawns, which have echoed for centuries to boyish laughter, are silent. The plaintive caw of the half-awakened rooks, as the swaying elm-tree rocks them, alone is heard, save the voice of Time itself - the Guardian I Time, who here holds all things in its solemn keeping. First the four musical quarters, and then the five beats of the iron tongue. From a score of ancient churches issue the same warning sounds, and silence reigns again, more indisputably than ever. In other places, at such an hour, Time s voice seems to make...



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