



The Turnip Princess

By Franz Xaver von Schonwerth, Maria Tatar, Erika Eichenseer,

Paperback. Book Condition: New. Not Signed; This is a rare discovery in the world of fairy tales - now for the first time in English. With this volume, the holy trinity of fairy tales - the Brothers Grimm, Charles Perrault, and Hans Christian Andersen - becomes a quartet. In the 1850s, Franz Xaver von Schonwerth traversed the forests, lowlands, and mountains of northern Bavaria to record fairy tales, gaining the admiration of even the Brothers Grimm. Most of Schonwerth's work was lost - until a few years ago, when thirty boxes of manuscripts were uncovered in a German municipal archive. Now, for the first time, Schonwerth's lost fairy tales are available in English. Violent, dark, and full of action, and upending the relationship between damsels in distress and their dragon-slaying heroes, these more than seventy stories bring us closer than ever to the unadorned oral tradition in which fairy tales are rooted, revolutionizing our understanding of a hallowed genre. Schonwerth's tales have a compositional fierceness and energy rarely seen in stories gathered by the Brothers Grimm or Charles Perrault. (The New Yorker). Schonwerth's legacy counts as the most significant collection in the German-speaking world in the nineteenth century



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