

## The Eve of St Venus: And The Venus of Ille

By Burgess, Anthony. Mérimée, Prosper. Brown, Andrew, Translator.

Hesperus. 1 Paperback(s), 2004. soft. Book Condition: New. Discouraged by a feminist friend, Diana is having second thoughts about her impending wedding. Worse yet, her fiancée Ambrose has abruptly become engaged to a statue of Venus, which is in possession of the wedding ring. These obstacles present the first in a farcical series of challenges, not only to the impending wedding, but also to the most dearly held preconceptions of Ambrose, Diana, and their wedding guests. Published two years after the 1962 success of A Clockwork Orange, Anthony Burgess's witty homage to matrimony is paired here with Prosper Mérimée's similarly themed 1837 novella, The Venus of Ille. 122.



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