



Virtues of Hazel: Or, Blessings of Government (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 Virtues of Hazel: Or, Blessings of Government Whoever dares to publish his unbelief of the charity and honesty of the Lords spiritual and temporal (as they say) of this world, is branded the enemy of his God and kind. Now arguments are wanted to satisfy the minds of labouring people about the divine right of kings, and the divine postulates of priests; and hence the rod of civil, and the curse of ecclesiastical government are vehemently exerted in proportion to the losses sustained in passive obedience and reverence. But in this way authority only covers the coals of fury to break out to greater fire. The corporal and mental make brave elastic force; and hence recover all and more than the place they lose by bad repulse. The mind, afraid to think aloud, rushes from the goad of suppression, over the lines of moderation. It is a day of violent persecution, and hence provoked desperation: in such a day honesty were the best policy; but honesty is no article in the tablets of power: if...



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