



Ancient Ideals in Modern Life: Four Lectures Delivered at the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Meeting of the Theosophical Society, at Benares, December, 1900 (Classic Reprint)

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