



Gold, Its Place in the Economy of Mankind (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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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 Gold, Its Place in the Economy of Mankind In order to write advantageously about any given commodity, it is necessary to consider first in what way the community regards it as a useful thing. The result of this inquiry naturally decides the lines upon which the treatise should be drawn up. Take the case of iron, for instance. This valuable metal, owing to the introduction of machinery, and the researches of science in connection with its properties, has assumed so much importance to the economic life of man in the present age, that Kipling conveys an obvious truth when he writes - Gold is for the mistress - silver for the maid, Copper for the craftsman cunning at his trade. Good, said the Baron, sitting in his hall, But Iron - Cold Iron, is master of them all. Wherefore any writer, discussing iron as a commodity, must describe the processes by which it is adapted for industrial use, for upon their proper execution, and upon the possibility of their improvement, depends, to a large extent,...



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