



## Roosters Egg the Roosters Egg

By Patricia J. Williams

Harvard University Press. Paperback. Condition: New. 272 pages. Dimensions: 8.9in. x 5.9in. x 0.7in. Jamaica is the land where the rooster lays an egg. . . When a Jamaican is born of a black woman and some English or Scotsman, the black mother is literally and figuratively kept out of sight as far as possible, but no one is allowed to forget that white father, however questionable the circumstances of birth. . . You get the impression that these virile Englishmen do not require women to reproduce. They just come out to Jamaica, scratch out a nest and lay eggs that hatch out into pink Jamaicans. --Zora Neale Hurston We may no longer issue scarlet letters, but from the way we talk, we might as well: W for welfare, S for single, B for black, CC for children having children, WT for white trash. To a culture speaking with barely masked hysteria, in which branding is done with words and those branded are outcasts, this book brings a voice of reason and a warm reminder of the decency and mutual respect that are missing from so much of our public debate. Patricia J. Williams, whose acclaimed book *The Alchemy of Race*...



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