



The Grandissimes: A Story of Creole Life (1880). By: George W. Cable: Novel (Historical Romance) (Paperback)

By George W Cable

On Demand Publishing, LLC-Create Space, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. The Grandissimes: A Story of Creole Life is a novel by George Washington Cable, published as a book in 1880 by Charles Scribner s Sons after appearing as a serial in Scribner s. The historical romance depicts race and class relations in New Orleans at the start of the 19th century, immediately following the Louisiana Purchase in 1803. The book examines the lives and loves of the extended Grandissime family, which includes members from different races and classes in Creole society. The novel juxtaposes a romanticized version of the French Creole culture with the atrocities committed under the European-American system of slavery in the United States. Plot: Honore Grandissime, head of the French Creole family, takes in Joseph Frowenfeld, whose family has died of yellow fever. He describes the New Orleans caste system, which had three racial groups, to Frowenfeld, an abolitionist. His desire to end slavery would destroy the labor base of the plantations, which revenues supported city life. Frowenfeld and Grandissime s uncle Agricola Fusilier, soon get into a dispute. Fusilier seeks to preserve the Grandissime way of life,...



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