



Amusing Irish Tales (Classic Reprint)

By William Carleton

Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Amusing Irish Tales William Carleton, the unrivalled delineator of the habits and character of his countrymen, was born at Prillisk, in the county of Tyrone, in the year 1798. His father was a small farmer. Both father and mother were persons of greatly superior mind; and although not highly educated they were better informed than most of their class, and were rich in natural endowments, so that the son had considerable privileges, both in the matter of mental inheritance and early associations. The father was endowed with such a marvellous memory, that it is said he could repeat the greater part of the bible by heart. He was also a walking repertory of legendary lore, and could tell tales from year s end to year s end. His mother was noted for her beautiful voice, and talent in the realms of song. William was intended for a priest, and had begun the preliminary studies required to fit him for entering Maynooth. At this critical period of his early career, his father died, and immediately the son...



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