



A Primer of French Literature

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Createspace, United States, 2014. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.From the Preface: The following outline of French literature is based on lectures given in the Johns Hopkins University, and has therefore certain definite needs of instruction in mind. The original notes have however been worked over, enlarged, and separated into paragraphs - not always happily- and can, by omission or expansion, be made to serve as a statement of facts for any period desired. Certain defects of execution are evident. The attempt to modernize all names and titles previous to the sixteenth century has sometimes failed through habit or inadvertence. The substitution of the English definite article for the French has led to many absurdities, and seems now to have been unwise. In the first chapters, intended for specialists or for extended commentaries by instructors, the necessary conciseness has at times led to obscurity for beginners. The least satisfactory period is that of the Eighteenth Century, both in division and matter. A serious omission is the dramatic work of Louis-Sebastien Mercier (1740-1814). The most available reference book for Mediaeval Literature is: La litterature francaise au moyen age,...



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