



King Leopold s Soliloquy (Paperback)

By Mark Twain, Waukesha Jackson

University of New Orleans Press, 2016. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. In Mark Twain s satire, a raving King Leopold of Belgium launches an impassioned defense of his gruesome policies in Africa, claiming his divine right to brutalize the Congolese people. A scathing condemnation of imperialism and the violence that it incites, Twain s words retain all of their vitriol over a century later. For years this remarkable work, which lead the first international campaign for human rights, has only been reproduced in low-quality facsimile. Using the original 1905 release, The University of New Orleans Press has restored the manuscript with new typesetting and archival photographs. In a new introduction, Dr. Hunt Hawkins provides crucial insight into Twain s mindset as he pushes for social reform. Although Twain likely never knew the impact of his campaign, King Leopold s Soliloquy remains a hallmark of anti-imperialist rhetoric and a testament to the power of Twain s words.

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