



Historic Long Island (Classic Reprint) (Hardback)

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Forgotten Books, 2017. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Historic Long Island But the distinctive fact in the island s history is that it has been from the first a land Of homes and home-makers. The Dutch and English pioneers had no other thought than to rear in a new land new hearthstones for themselves and their children, and so strong and abiding speedily became their love Of the pleasant country to possess which they had crossed the seas, that all over the island one Will find men and women still holding the rich acres whereon their ancestors settled upward Of two centuries ago. Later times and changed conditions have brought in another and larger army Of home-makers. The Long Island railroad was built to Jamaica in 1836, and four years later extended to Hicksville and thence to Greenport. Since that time the growth Of the island in population and wealth has been steady and some sections marvelously rapid. The chain Of hills on the north side is rapidly being covered with the homes Of a refined population; but the greatest trans formation has been wrought along the south shore, and...



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