



The Poetry of Francis Thompson - Volume 2: For We Are Born in Other's Pain, and Perish in Our Own. (Paperback)

By Francis Thompson

Portable Poetry, United States, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Francis Thompson was born in Preston on Lancashire in December 18th, 1859. Educated at Ushaw College, near Durham he studied medicine at Owens College in Manchester. However the medical profession held little interest to him but writing did. He moved to London in 1885 but found no success and was quickly reduced to selling matches and newspapers for a living. Ill health offered up opium as a solution and to this he quickly became addicted. Life became increasingly difficult and soon Francis was no more than a vagrant living on the streets, chiefly around Charing Cross and along the Thames. In 1888 he sent some poems to the publishers of the Merrie England magazine who were Wilfrid Meynell and his noted poet wife Alice. They quickly sought him out, arranged for his housing and other necessities as well as medical treatment and encouraged him to write more. This culminated in the publication of his book Poems in 1893. The book, including the seminal Hound Of Heaven was recognised as a great work by many critics at the time and encouraged further...



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