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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from History and Description of the Opera House: Or American Academy of Music, in Philadelphia The inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia, so long as they have been known to the world, have always borne the reputation of being one of the most conscientious, sober-minded, and plain-thinking communities. Being originally a colony of Quakers, the spirit of these religious philosophers exercises, to the present day, its influence on the minds of the citizens in general. Thus it has happened, that, while the city was growing to a considerable size, and was taking its place in the ranks of the first commercial communities, its inhabitants still retained an excessive, love for the cultivation of their firesides, and an indisposition to support places of public amusement. However laudable this may be in one respect, it has certainly been productive of great disadvantages, morally and physically; for it was owing to this circumstance that those places of amusement which existed, and always will exist in a large community, were of an inferior kind, where sensual gratification was in more...



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