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Time s a Tell-Tale: A Comedy in Five Acts (Classic Reprint)

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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 Time s a Tell-Tale: A Comedy in Five Acts During a short residence in Fiance, thirteen or fourteen years ago, I amused myself with forming a little serious drama from a story by M. Marmontel, Bland-ford and Coraly appearing to me two very interesting characters. These scenes lay long neglected in my portfolio. When I made the stage my profession, I was prompted to review them, but found my hero by far too grave for a Comedy. The part of Benedick was one that I had ever contemplated with delight, and it struck me that a naval character of the description might combine eccentricity with the most exalted generosity. The play of the Stranger had then rendered the writings of Kotzebue extremely popular; and on perusing his works, I found that he had also made both Shakes-pear and Marmontel his models: - it occurred to me, that by paraphrasing a few of his speeches, I might give a degree of sprightliness to my principal character, and I felt assured that what I was doing would...



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