



Clara Novello s Reminiscences: Compiled by the Daughter Contessa Valeria Gigliucci, with a Memoir (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Clara Novello s Reminiscences: Compiled by the Daughter Contessa Valeria Gigliucci, With a Memoir Clara Anastasia Novello was born in England, June 10, 1818, and died at Rome, March 12, 1908. At the early age of eleven she became a pupil at the Institution Royale de Musique classique et religieuse in Paris, of which Choron was the director. But before that time, her father - a gifted musician - had accustomed her to sing Handel s and Mozart s music, whilst still holding her doll in her arms, so that on the trial day, the French examiners found that the English child was a very exceptional student, and abnormally gifted with a silvery, bell-like, clear and ringing voice, which, after studious cultivation, became a fixture and a life-long possession. The Revolution of 1830 prematurely shortened the studies in Paris, and Clara, before her teens, returned home and appeared in public a year or two afterwards. Her first appearance was at a concert in the Windsor theatre, where the King s private band gratuitously assisted for...



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