



## The Rifleman: Or Adventures of Percy Blake (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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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 The Rifleman: Or Adventures of Percy Blake It is customary, I believe, with authors who have but little to relate, to press into their service every possible resource of the literary art; that, by the charm of their eloquence, they may hide the paucity of their material. The contrary, however, being my case. I trust the reader will be content to receive a plain, unvarnished tale of military life, instead of a flowing dissertation de omnibus rebus, which I have neither ability nor inclination to cook up for his amusement. I was born in a small country town, in the south of Ireland, which has furnished more officers to the army than any place in the United Kingdom of thrice its importance. I leave it to casuists to determine whether this was owing to the proverbial pugnacity of the Tipperary boys, or to the idle and unoccupied life of the small gentry, whose family pride made them scorn that trade which was best calculated to repair their family indigence. Certain it is, however, that the...



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