



Oration: Delivered in the Congregational Church, Sacramento, California, July 4, 1857 (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 Oration: Delivered in the Congregational Church, Sacramento, California, July 4, 1857 Time passes. Another annual return of the birth-day of the Anglo American Republic is at hand. For what purpose have we assembled? On this commemorating occasion it has hitherto been the practice of orators to devote themselves in speaking of the heroic virtues and sublime patriotism - of the trials and sufferings of the fathers and founders of the confederacy - in giving a historical synopsis of our rise and progress as a people; and then soaring on the wings of exuberant pride and boastful fancy, to paint a grand and magnificent future for the great Ocean bound Republic - to which circumscribed realm, the idea has lately been started, of annexing all adjacent islands - the Hawaiian group included. Patterning not often such useless stereotyped addresses, nor following the wake of any these dreaming sketchers of the future - permit me to talk of things as they are and will be, not as in hope and imagination we would have them. About the...

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