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By William Morris

Aziloth Books, United Kingdom, 2015. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.William Morris is more widely known for his beautifully designed Arts and Crafts wallpapers, but his first love was ancient Nordic Poetry, and especially the 13th century Icelandic Volsunga Saga . Morris was obsessed with this tale from his youth, and over many years penned a 10,000 line epic poem that, on publication, was accorded high praise by such literary luminaries as George Bernard Shaw and T. E. Lawrence. The saga tells the History of the Volsungs, a tale strewn with epic battles, supernatural visitations, dragon-guarded treasures, enchanted swords forged from ancient weapons, magical rings, beautiful maidens, undying loves and implacable hatreds. The motifs and themes in the Volsunga Saga have inspired a host of artistic works, among them Richard Wagner s Der Ring des Nibelungen and J. R. Tolkien s Lord of the Rings . William Morris full poem proved taxing for most readers, and a shorter version - with some of the less compelling episodes prEcised by W Turner and H Scott - was published in 1910 to great acclaim. It is here presented in a new edition, complete with...



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