



The River Seine, Vol. 84 (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2018. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from The River Seine, Vol. 84 The Seine is the most important river of France, both on account of its being the highway for a flourishing inland trade, and in consequence of the extensive engineering works which have been carried out for its improvement. Its basin has also formed the subject of very careful hydrological investigations, for it was on the Seine that the systematic prediction of floods was first established, which has since been adopted for other French rivers. Like the Thames, it flows past the capital of the country, to which fact it owes a portion of its importance, though the centres of maritime trade to which it gives access are situated lower down; like the Thames, also it has been made the receptacle for the sewage of the largest city on its banks, though recently it has been relieved of a portion of this nuisance by the establishment of extensive irrigation works on the plains of Gennevilliers (plate 2, Fig. Unlike the Thames, however, its estuary, being less favoured by nature, has a limited scope for important...



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