



Father Tom and the Pope: Or a Night at the Vatican (Paperback)

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Createspace, United States, 2015. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.THE story of Father Tom and the Pope, which first appeared in Blackwood s Magazine of May, 1838, has been ascribed to more than one contributor to that periodical, but the narrator of the memorable events of this Night at the Vatican has thus far seen fit to remain concealed under the pseudonym of Michael Heffernan. Instead of attempting to decide the question of authorship, we shall preface the present edition with a short notice of the original Father Tom, so that all readers may know the incidents which suggested the story. The Reverend Thomas Maguire was R. C. Priest of the parish of Innismagrath about the year 1825, and was well known in the counties of Roscommon and Leitrim. He was educated at Maynooth, and had the reputation of being a man of ability and learning, although somewhat eccentric. Having a handsome person, a social disposition, and great fondness for horses, hounds, etc., he was universally popular in the part of Ireland in which he lived. In 1827 he had a public controversy with the Reverend Richard T. P. Pope, a Protestant...

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