



Nicolo Paganini: A Biography (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from Nicolo Paganini: A Biography Nicolo s first teachers were Giovanni Servetto, a man of little merit, says Fetis, with whom he did not remain long, and afterward Giacomo Costa, Musical Director and first violin of some of the prominent churches at Genoa, from whom he took thirty lessons in six months. At the early age of eight Paganini composed a violin sonata, and at eight and a-half years of age he played a concerto by Pleyel in a church. From that time on until he was eleven years old, he had regular engagements to perform works of this kind at religious ceremonies. Paganini looked upon this as of much moment, since the church services forced him to constant practice on his instrument. He also mentions with grateful recognition one of his countrymen, Francesco Gnecco - according to Conestabile, a writer of popular drama, who strongly influenced his musical development. When young Nicolo was about eleven and a-half years old - or perhaps two years earlier - he gave his first concert at the San Agostino Theatre, assisted by...



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