



Medieval Contributions to Modern Civilisation (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 Medieval Contributions to Modern Civilisation Gierke, in an arresting sentence which, once read, is caught and embedded in the memory, speaks of the great Leibniz as one who in so many directions went deeper than his contemporaries, and who, perhaps for that reason, so often turned his eyes backward toward mediaeval ways of thought. If this be a true saying, and if to go backward to the Middle Ages is to go deeper into the vraie verite des choses, it is a wise man's duty to turn mediaevalist. And at any rate some of those who have hazarded the adventure have brought back lessons of some price and of much influence. Gierke himself has found in mediaeval theory and practice a lesson concerning groups - their spontaneous origin and growth; their undervived and inherent scope of action - which, filtered through the genius and the style of Maitland, has influenced on the one hand ecclesiastics such as Dr Figgis, helping them to a vindication of the rights of ecclesiastical societies, and on the other hand...

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