



Odhams: Reading Matter for a Society on a Journey (Paperback)

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Jaki Porter T/A Rosarito, 2016. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. There are a number of factors, largely interrelated, attracting me to write this survey. First, there was a family connection with Odhams through my maternal grandfather. This was one of the reasons which led to me spending my formative years in Watford, the town which saw the full flourishing and the final sad demise of the firm. Not surprisingly most of the many books in our household came from Odhams. I have, over the years since childhood, amassed a collection of more than 400 of these titles. Odhams became, in its heyday, one of the country s major book, newspaper and periodical producers, at the cutting edge of printing and photogravure technology. The output of so many books from such a source is very much worth close study. As I view them again I am trying to provide an assessment of the firm s book output, as far as I know something never attempted before. The history of Odhams Press has been presented to the public twice. On the first occasion when one of the family - W.B.Odhams - covered the...

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