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## Ragged Dick and Struggling Upward

By Jr Horatio Alger

Createspace, United States, 2012. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 224 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.During 1850 s, common stories about poor city youths, newsboys and bootblacks who became rich and famous which were popular. Ragged Dick features such a young boy as its hero. Alger opened up Dick s identity, inspirations, dreams, plans and hopes. Dick was a sarcastic youngster, generous towards friends, a gambler and smoker. At the same time, he never steals, neither cheats nor hurt younger boys and this makes him a noble young gentleman. His pants were torn in several places, and had apparently belonged in the first instance to a boy two sizes larger than himself. He wore a vest, all the buttons of which were gone except two, out of which peeped a shirt which looked as if it had been worn a month. To complete his costume he wore a coat too long for him, dating back, if one might judge from its general appearance, to a remote tranquility. Throughout the book Alger draws us to see the transfer of a boy who once was Ragged Dick into a respectable young gentleman Richard Hunter. When...



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