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Forgotten Books, United States, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Peasant Properties, Vol. 1 of 2: And Other Selected Essays The distances for the owners to go to their bits of land are very great. There are few cross-roads, so they must tramp along the grassy muddy paths between the fields to reach their work no trees were to be seen but the occasional rows of hideous black poplars, with branches trimmed up for fuel and to prevent their overshadowing the soil. There was not room for a real tree anywhere in the economy of that world. In Belgium the number of small parcelles is increasing. According to official statistics in 1846 there were 5, 500, 000, and 758, 000 proprietors. Thirty years after, in 1876, the parcelles had increased by about a million, and there were 1, 131, 000 proprietors. It appears as if the petite culture only answered with market gardens near the great towns, which give advantages of good markets and plenty of manure in all countries alike. Here, however, the towns are many and close together. The bits of land were...



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