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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 The North American Review, Vol. 241: Founded 1815 This is, it hardly need be mentioned, an election year: perhaps it is not too much of an exaggeration to say that it is a super-election year. Since our memories are very short, we are inclined to go about saying that it is the most astounding and spectacular election year that ever occurred. It is, therefore, interesting and sobering to turn back the files of the North American Review and find that a century ago political conditions were almost as chaotic, and economic trends equally insecure. Andrew Jackson, who was still President in 1836, was the founder of the spoils system, godfather of Farleyism and, perhaps, of all our pressure groups as well. In his time there were momentous Supreme Court decisions and, like the present President, he fought with the judiciary. As the Court had much less prestige in those days than it has today, Jackson, on one or two occasions, ignored its mandates completely. Immediately after the inauguration of his successor, Martin Van Buren, depression...



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