



Around Nailsworth and Minchinhampton

By Howard Beard

The History Press Ltd. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Around Nailsworth and Minchinhampton, Howard Beard, E.P. Conway (1874-1946) was born on the Welsh Borders and moved to Nailsworth around 1905. For the next two decades, with his camera over his shoulder and only a bicycle for transport, he photographed widely in and around Nailsworth, Minchinhampton and nearby villages. Conway's studio was a wooden hut in a garden in Nailsworth. From this base, he not only planned his photographic trips, but also ran a thriving portrait business and, together with his sister Annette, gave drawing and painting lessons. From 1905 to 1923, Conway had a virtual monopoly of commercial photography in Nailsworth and parts of the surrounding district. Portrait work apart, he specialised in recording street scenes, carnivals and church parades - the social history of his chosen landscape, where one can glimpse the secure tranquility of Edwardian England. Unwittingly, perhaps, Conway recorded the dying days of a way of life. Howard Beard was born in Stroud, though his roots lie firmly in Nailsworth, where his family ran the town's main bakery. Educated at Marling School and Manchester University, he returned to this area, teaching at Gloucester, Minchinhampton and, until...



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