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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 Juvenile Instructor, Vol. 36 Doubtless many would be interested to learn how this great transformation of watery wastes into fields and places of habitation was brought about. It is said that some generations ago the people whom we now call Hollanders found themselves very much in need of more land upon which to build homes for their fast increasing population. They were too honest and conscientious to wage war upon their fellow-men that they might gain this much needed expansion of their borders, so they determined upon a more honorable conquest, that of subduing and driving out vast areas of water that intruded within their confines. As soon as the water receded, sometimes owing to the outgoing tide, but oftener as a result of the diligent and unceasing labors of the people, dams and dikes were constructed to prevent its return. At times the great sea, as though angered by the thought that it could be conquered by puny human hands, would dash with all its fury against the walls of rock and earth that...

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