



ISBN: 978-1-913724-08-5

Paperback • 256pp • £6.99

BIC: FC, FYB, WHX 128 x 198 mm

27 OCTOBER 2021

WORLD ENGLISH

## FRENZIED FICTION

STEPHEN LEACOCK

- From one of the best-known humorists in the English-speaking world in the early twentieth century.
- An unjustly forgotten author who will appeal to all fans of Saki, P.G. Wodehouse, W.W. Jacobs or Oscar Wilde.
- One of his later works, this collection shows the talent of a master of a genre at the height of his game.

Stephen Leacock is an unjustly forgotten master of the short-story genre who was considered the best-known humorist in the world in the early twentieth century. Although he was a prolific writer, publishing about fifty novels, memoirs and histories in his lifetime, Leacock was best known for the humorous articles he published in various magazines, which he later collected in *Literary Lapses*, *Nonsense Novels* and *Frenzied Fiction*.

One of his later works, *Frenzied Fiction* is a collection from a master of a genre at the height of his game, and contains all the hallmarks of his earlier work, written in the trademark style which he had refined over the previous two decades. Containing such gems as 'My Recollections as a Spy' and 'Simple Stories of Success, or How to Succeed in Life', this collection demonstrates why he met with such success and earned the respect of those as far removed as John Lane, A.P. Herbert and Groucho Marx.

**'No one, anywhere in the world, can reduce a thing to ridicule with such few short strokes.'**

**EVENING STANDARD**

**'His wisdom is always humorous, and his humour is always wise.'**

**SUNDAY TIMES**



### ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Stephen Leacock (1869–1944) was a teacher, writer and one of the best-known humorists in the English-speaking world in the early twentieth century.

RENARD PRESS LTD, Kemp House, 152–160 City Road, London EC1V 2NX

info@renardpress.com • 020 8050 2928

WWW.RENARDPRESS.COM

Registered company number: 12559643

DISTRIBUTION

Central Books Ltd

Tel: 020 8525 8800

orders@centralbooks.com

TRADE SALES

Signature Book Representation (UK) Limited

Tel: 0845 862 1730

sales@signaturebooksuk.com