I present this manuscript of Ernest Edmonds to Marion Kelly for the purpose of offering to the Archives of the University of Hawaii.

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True Stories of Old Tahiti, Moral and Otherwise

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1) The Papeete that was.
2) Disaster and Death for challenging a Curse.
3) A millionair Bathing Place.
4) The Camembert Cheese.
5) A millionair Toilet.
6) Revenge for a lost Law Suit.
7) Pervers and others.
8) My friend Alexander.
9) A Tahitian Village.
10) The Ghosts that were Ghosts.
11) Rapa.
12) The man who left his country for its good.
13) The Silvery Tahitian Moon.
14) A week-end in a Tahitian Home.
15) A Unique Artist.
16) Dinner with a Veteran of the 1st World War.
17) The Majesty of a Sunset over Moorea.
18) The night of the Declaration of War.
19) In Retrospect.
Preface.

In this permissive age, these true stories of prewar Tahiti are not meant to shock but only to amuse.

The reader will observe that names, localities and dates are omitted. The reason for this, apart from preserving anonymity, is that these yarns were written from memory.

My prewar diary contained much of a personal and very confidential nature. Before going on leave therefore, I considered it wise to bury it in a spot only known to myself, carefully sealed in a container.

Upon recovery after many years absence, through force of circumstances, I discovered, to my sorrow, that my secret possession was in a state of complete disintegration. My sadness was not lessened when I found that a considerable amount of Tahitian money had also gone the way of all flesh.

The Author.

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I dedicate this book to my friend and collaborator (your pen-name), without whose help it would never have been written.