



Electricity as a Fire Hazard (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Electricity as a Fire Hazard We cannot but believe that the losses from fire, legitimately traceable to electric currents, have been due to the ignorance rather than the negligence of those in charge of such plants, and that, if the true limitations of conductors carrying currents were better known, electrical fires would become a thing of the past. That electricity can be distributed safely is admitted even by the fire underwriters, but it took them a long time to make up their minds to the fact. While the fire underwriters may be looked upon in some quarters as enemies to electric lighting, we believe that all well-informed and right-thinking members of the electrical community are in accord with their efforts to secure proper electric installation; and, while the insurance regulations may err on the side of safety, the public, after all, benefit thereby in the long run. As Mr. Jenks shows, the apparent excessive factor of safety called for by the underwriters rules is demanded by reason of the fact that in many cases conductors are, after a time, called...



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