The SteppenWolf and Other Stories, 1887-91 Anton Chekhov 2005-03-01 Volume 2 of the Tales of Chekhov. Contains 8 stories: The Duel; Excellent People; Mire; Neighbours; At Home; Expensive Lessons; The Princess; and, The Chemist's Wife.

The Duel and Other Stories Anton Chekhov 2021-09-15 This captivating collection of short stories, selected from works written during Chekhov's prolific period, displays those qualities for which the Russian author and playwright is famous: a natural aptitude for detail, dialogue, humor, and compassion. Includes The Darling, a poignant piece supporting the claim that life has no meaning without love; as well as many of Chekhov's most-loved and best-known stories, including The Kiss, Anna on the Neck, The Man in a Case, The Malefactor, and the title story. Chekhov's unerring insight into the turbulent emotions that stir men and women, in The Chemist's Wife and the others to be found within The Duel and Other Stories, instills his gemlike fiction with a still-undiminished power. We are delighted to publish this classic book as part of our extensive Classic Library collection. Many of the books in our collection have been out of print for decades, and therefore have not been accessible to the general public. The aim of our publishing program is for literary, classic, rare and minor masterpieces to can be preserved - and made available to new generations of readers. The Story of an Unknown Man, a political radical spying on an important official by serving as valet to his son gradually discovers that his own life is following the same pattern as the life of the person he is spying on. Three Years recounts a complex series of ironies in the personal life of a young man named Vasily. In The Darling, the narrator, a close friend of the principal character, tells how she has become pregnant with a child by a man she loves, and how Vasily, the child's father, has run away with another woman. In The Turn of the Screw, a governess accepts a post in a remote country house for three children who are badly nourished and overactive. Everything is under a spell, and the children are not well. The governess has common sense, a compassionate nature, a natural aptitude for detail, dialogue, humor, and compassion. She realizes that the children are actually visited by two ghosts - a small boy and a child-like girl. She is determined to protect them, but she fails, and they become worse. She is forced to give up and go away. The Turn of the Screw is a ghost story, and an exploration of the nature of evil. It is a classic story of evil and suspense, and a cautionary tale about the dangers of privity and self-deception. Chekhov's short stories are renowned for their natural aptitude for detail, dialogue, humor, and compassion. He was a master of the short story form, and his stories are filled with vivid characters, complex plotlines, and a deep understanding of the human condition. Many of his stories are set in rural Russia, and explore themes of love, money, and family. 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