1. Record Nr. UNINA9910452238103321 Autore Mirbeau Octave <1848-1917.> Titolo Octave Mirbeau [[electronic resource]]: two plays: Business is business ; &, Charity / / translated & adapted by Richard J. Hand Bristol [England], : Intellect, 2012 Pubbl/distr/stampa 1-84150-670-2 **ISBN** Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (210 p.) Collana Playtext series, , 1754-0933 Altri autori (Persone) HandRichard J Disciplina 842.8 Soggetti French drama Interpersonal relations Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di contenuto Business is business -- Charity. Octave Mirbeau was born in Trevieres, Normandy, on 16 February Sommario/riassunto 1848. He had a quiet childhood, which seemingly came to an abrupt end when he was sent to a Jesuit college at Vannes in 1859. The next four years were a miserable experience for the young Mirbeau, and the barbarity, tyranny and snobbery he encountered there - which seemed to him a microcosm of French society - would never be far from his writing for the rest of his life. Mirbeau registered to study law at

university in 1866 but in 1868 would claim that 'he had been eating

nothing and smoking up to 180 pipes of opium a day' (Levi, 1