Record Nr. UNINA9910791158903321 Autore Twain Mark <1835-1910, > Titolo A family sketch and other private writings / / Mark Twain, Livy Clemens, Susy Clemens; edited by Benjamin Griffin Pubbl/distr/stampa Berkeley, California: .: University of California Press. . 2014 ©2014 **ISBN** 0-520-95963-9 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (201 p.) Collana Jumping Frogs: Undiscovered, Rediscovered, and Celebrated Writings of Mark Twain; ; 5 BIO026000HIS036000 Classificazione Disciplina 818/.409 Soggetti Authors, American - 19th century Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Monografia Livello bibliografico Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto Front matter -- Contents -- Introduction -- A Family Sketch -- A True Story, Repeated Word for Word as I Heard It -- A Record of the Small Foolishnesses of Susie and "Bay" Clemens (Infants) -- At the Farm --Quarry Farm Diary -- Mark Twain by Susy Clemens -- About the Texts -- About the Illustrations -- Biographical Directory -- Works Cited --Acknowledgments This book publishes, for the first time in full, the two most revealing of Sommario/riassunto Mark Twain's private writings. Here he turns his mind to the daily life he shared with his wife Livy, their three daughters, a great many servants, and an imposing array of pets. These first-hand accounts display this gifted and loving family in the period of its flourishing. Mark Twain began to write "A Family Sketch" in response to the early death of his eldest daughter. Susy, but the manuscript grew under his hands to become an exuberant account of the entire household. His record of the childrens' sayings-"Small Foolishnesses"-is next, followed by the related manuscript "At the Farm." Also included are selections from Livy's 1885 diary and an authoritative edition of Susy's biography of her father, written when she was a teenager. Newly edited from the

original manuscripts, this anthology is a unique record of a fascinating

family.