Record Nr. UNISA996248234003316 Autore Purlevskii Savva Dmitrievich <1800-1868.> Titolo A life under Russian serfdom: memoirs of Savva Dmitrievich Purlevskii, 1800-1868 / / translated and edited by Boris B. Gorshkov Budapest;; New York,: Central European University Press, c2005 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 978-615-5053-95-5 978-6-15505-395-5 9786155053955 615-5053-95-2 2-8218-1500-X 1-281-37673-6 9786611376734 1-4175-7453-4 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (128 p.) Altri autori (Persone) GorshkovBoris B Disciplina 306.3/65/092 В Soggetti Serfs - Russia Serfdom - Russia - History - 19th century Russia Rural conditions Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Our village, its inhabitants and owners -- My grandfather -- Myself, my childhood, and my family -- And my adult life began -- My marriage, my landlord, my trade, and other things -- Life outside the village observed -- The bitterness of serfdom realized -- My activities in estate life -- My future fate resolved -- Epilogue. This is a translation of one of very few Russian serfs' memoirs. Savva Sommario/riassunto Purlevskii recollects his life in Russian serfdom and life of his

grandparents, parents, and fellow villagers. He describes family and communal life and the serfs' daily interaction with landlords and authorities. Purlevskii came from an initially prosperous family that later became impoverished. Early in his childhood, he lost his father. Purlevskii did not have a chance to gain a formal education. He lived

under serfdom until 1831 when at the age of 30 he escaped his servitude. Gorshkov's introduction provides some basic knowledge about Russian serfdom and draws upon the most recent scholarship. Notes provide references and general information about events, places and people mentioned in the memoirs.