

Robert Tressell

THE RAGGED TROUSERED PHILANTHROPISTS

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The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists is the classic working-class novel. It was written in 1906 by an impoverished house painter, Robert Tressell, and within its framework contains a manifesto for socialism. It tells of the appalling working conditions of a group of painters and decorators and their struggle to survive at the most basic level. It is moving, grimly humorous and tragic. It has sold over 6,000,000 copies worldwide since it was published, and has the power to change lives.



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