Realizing the Witch

Baxstrom, Richard, Meyers, Todd

Published by Fordham University Press

Baxstrom, Richard and Todd Meyers.

For additional information about this book
https://muse.jhu.edu/book/42133
Introduction: What Is Häxan? 1

Part I. The Realization of the Witch

The Witch in the Human Sciences and the Mastery of Nonsense 17
1. Evidence, First Movement: Words and Things 32
2. Evidence, Second Movement: Tableaux and Faces 62
3. The Viral Character of the Witch 87
4. Demonology 103

Part II. A Mobile Force in the Modern Age

1922 133
5. Sex, Touch, and Materiality 145
6. Possession and Ecstasy 168
7. Hysterias 187
   Postscript: It Is Very Hard to Believe . . . 205

Acknowledgments 213
Notes 215
Benjamin Christensen’s Cited Source Material 249
Contents

Filmography 253
Bibliography 257
Index 275