

of the King of Navarre. The authoress selected this stormy period as the groundwork for this interesting story, when Henry III. and Henry of Navarre united their arms against the Duke of Mayenne, the Chief of the League who was aided with money by Philip II. of Spain. The War of the League arose out of an association of princes, prelates, and gentlemen of Picardy. The object of the League was at first simply the maintenance of the Catholic as the sole religion of the realm. Henry of Navarre, as a Huguenot, endeavored but failed to maintain peace and the integrity of France by his anti-Catholic means. The country was devastated by war. Fire and sword ravaged every town and village; every plain was a battle-field, every wood an ambuscade, and the whole land became a huge Golgotha. Henry, to mitigate this, consented in 1593 to profess Catholic religion as being that which the majority of his subjects preferred. At the same time he assured the Protestants of his favor and protection, and in 1598 five years later, by issuing the celebrated Edict of Nantes, he secured religious toleration for the Huguenots. Bertha Runkle has shown great tact in limiting the characters in her story, a feature which makes her work much more interesting, as I always thought Dumas in great error in this respect, although I should imagine she has been an ardent admirer of the great French writer. She holds her historical characters well in hand, and has compiled a story which is very creditable to her, and well worthy of careful perusal.

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