The Fall of Sevastopol.

In the night of September 8-9, 1855, the Russian forces evacuated the naval rank. He served with distin on the 8th, had rendered the-place and afterwards Admiral of the Fleet, before darkness set in, were collect- England. ing and removing to the harbor under cover of barricades. Thirty-five of the magazines were blown up successively, the first at 11 p.m., and simultaneously fires broke out wherever anything combustible remained in the ruined city. The defence, by which the Russian engineer, Todleben, gained the one outstanding for the Allies' chiefs of engineers that he should write a novel. Now of year at which the Allies first ap- ing a novel. But he was rather pleasproached Sevastopol, had arrived at ed with the suggestion, so he sat down ed, and the capture of the city paved forts, Mr. Bennett is one of the first the way for the discussion of peace.
There was no more fighting in the Again, Mr. Lewis Hind has related Crimean War, and, except for an how twenty years or more ago he sugexpedition to Kinburn, which sur- gested to Mr. H. G. Wells that he could rendered in a few hours, the Allied write stories if he tried, Mr. Wells armies remained inactive all through tried; he succeeded; he has continued the winter, until April 2, when the to succeed. upland once again resounded with Just one Hundred and Fifty Hours the roar of artillery. But upon this occasion it proclaimed the return of peace. Then the armies evacuated ample set by these excellent gentlethe Crimea, and the war, with all its men? record of valour, suffering, miscalculation, and mal-administration, passed into history.

William IV. Crowned.

married Princess Caroline Amelia Again you are deceiving yourself. Elizabeth, daughter of the Duke of Brunswick, on April 8, 1795. When because that was a title conferred up- ever-growing facility. on his Royal father while a Prince. After William IV. married he was faithful to his wife, but their only children were two daughters, who

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of age he had served his country in the Royal Navy, as Midshipman on board the "Prince George," and was treated as other youths of the same fortress of Sevastopol, and the long guished courage and humanity under siege of eleven months ended. Al- Admiral Rodney in the West Indies though the English had failed to and off the coasts of Nova Scotia and carry the work known as the Redan, Canada, and under Viscounts Keith the capture by the French of the and Hood against the French. He Malakhoff, the real key by assault, rose to be Lieutenant and Admiral, untenable, and the Russians, even and finally Lord High Admiral of

Why Don't You Write a Novel?

YOU CAN DO IT IN 150 HOURS-IF YOU HAVE A MIND.

In his engaging book "Truth about reputation made in the war, had been an Author" Mr. Arnold Bennett has most stubborn and almost successful, related how some friends suggested and artillery, in view of the fact that Mr. Bennett had never previously cocthey were brought round to the time sidered the possibility of his ever writthe conviction that, if the place were and wrote a novel. It was very much not taken before winter, it would be in the same way that he came to write necessary, as a matter of course, to a serial "shocker," and later a play. raise the siege. Fortunately that The beneficial results, both to his fame open confession of failure was avert- and to his pocket, of these casual ef-

Now, why don't you follow the ex-

What? There are a great many circumstances which stand in the way of your writing a novel? I simply don't believe it. You haven't the time, do you say? Nonsense! Do you know sure of your ability to shape and how long it does take to write a novel mould them into a story, there is a of average length? No: well, I will

On Thursday, September 8, 1831, tell you and surprise you. William IV., King of England, was The question is, how long does it crowned in Westminster Abbey, and take an ordinary rapid writer who who are acknowledged to be masters also his Royal Consort, Princess Ade- knows what he wants to say to com- of the art. To see how the simple laide, daughter of George, Duke of plete eighty thousand words? The Saxe-Coburg Meniningen, in Germany, answer is, not more than a hundred utilized to make wonderful fiction, whom he had married on July 11, and fifty hours, probably much less. 1818, and who, after his death on If your brain is fertile with ideas and feel the development and clash of June 20, 1837, outlived him till De- and your hand is itching to write, you character conducted through an incember 2, 1849. She had endeared may turn your attention to short stor- tricate plot, full of incident, constructherself to the British people by her less for the magazines, and if you thus ed with architectural firmness and the numberless acts of public and private hit the public taste (as it is called, completeness of a circle, study Thombenevolence, as well as by her con-though how you can hit a taste I as Hardy. And to see how to cast stant practice of all the Christian fail to see,) you will acquire much autobiography into the loose, prolix graces. Their united coronation was gold or its equivalent in notes. Hav- form of the modern novel, Read Mr. in this respect a complete contrast ing now disposed of your plea that Wells' "The New Machiavelli," Mr. to that of his brother George IV., at you have no time, I am ready for Compton Mackenzie's "Sinister St.," whose death on June 26, 1830, he had the next objection. You don't know Mr. J. D. Beresford's magnificient succeeded to the throne, and who had how to write or what to write about? trilogy, "Jacob Stahl," "A Candidate

Letter-writer to Novelist.

Much surprise was occasioned dur-Abbey with great pomp on July 19, ing the war by the high literary qual- translation by Mr. Gilbert Cannan. 1821, he refused to allow Princess ity of letters from France and else-Caroline to be crowned with him, and where which were published in the when she requested to be present at papers. Allowing for a little judicthe ceremony, she was repeatedly sous sub-editing at times,- it- does get your work paid for and into print, turnd away from the doors of that nevertheless remain the fact that the you will nevertheless have acquired church, and was not admitted. She general standard of letter-writing by various abilities of no small value, had been accused of adultery by the British men and women is high en- In the first place, you will have gain-Prime Minister, and penalty had been ough for those letter-writers to be- ed a facility in self-expression, not proposed against her; and though come fiction-writers. You are a let- only in writing but in taking also. George III. had led a most virtuous ter-writer, no doubt, even though you You will find that it is much easier to life, it was a period of great immor- do not always reply to your friends put your thoughts into words and to ality between the sexes, so that by return of post. Well, then, turn construct telling phrases. There will while George IV. had several mis- your flow of language from the mix- be a verve and a point in your speech tresses, William IV. had but one, ture of fact and fairy-story that most that were never there before. Dorothea Bland, known by the assum- letters are, to the construction of Secondly, your grasp, and undered name of Mrs. Jordan; by her he honest fiction. You won't find the standing, and enjoyment of novelwas the father of ten children, who, writing difficult even to begin with, reading are certain to have been augwith their descendants, were named but as thousand after thousand of mented Fitzclarence, because he had been words are tossed off from your pen, And thirdly, fourthly, and fifthlycreated Duke of Clarence, and their you will find your thoughts and your all lumped together as the most valueeldest son became Earl of Munster, language coalescing in writing with able results of all—you will have ac-

Compose Your Ideas.

Your thoughts—yes! You say you don't know what to write about? Do died in infancy. From fourteen years you mean to confess that after living Weekly. all the years you have upon this earth which is brimful of adventure, disasters, sudden satisfactions, and the whole medley of happenings and impressions which have crowded upon you, many of them peculiarly your own, you have nothing interesting to talk about to other people? Because that is all I am asking you to do. The shall compose them into an harmonof your own life in novel form, because transcribed exactly there would refractories to common sense probably be no form at all about it, decency.—Industrial Worker. though this method is modern and popular. But every author must write out of his own experience; that is to say, that he must knew enough of the circumstances and environment of his imagined characters and their adventures to know whether they are possible and probable.

It is exactly out of these ordinary experiences, with the observation of life and character they entail, that don't want to write about battle, mur-

your characters, if you are still not adhered to



simple, pleasant, and effective methcd of finding out how it is done. That method is to read the work of those happenings of everyday life can be carefully read Jane Austen. To see of Truth." and "The Invisible Event." or, above all. Romain Rolland's story of the life of "Jean Christophe,"

But supposing that you do fail to

quired a deeper knowledge of yourself, a better understanding of life and the world, and a keener interest in, and sympathy with, everyone you meet and know.-John O'London's

The Speed Menace.

ive measure of dealing with the lawbreakers appears to be the abolition of fines, and substituting instead the only difference is that, instead of taking away of the licenses. A \$50 frittering away your ideas and your fine is not much to some of these experiences in casual chatter, you rich but careless drivers, and knowious whole with an understandable say that "the surest way of punishing drift of character or circumstance, an offender is hurting him where its or of both. This does not mean that most felt," it seems evident to us I am asking you to write the story that the seizure of the license for a month or so would speedily bring the

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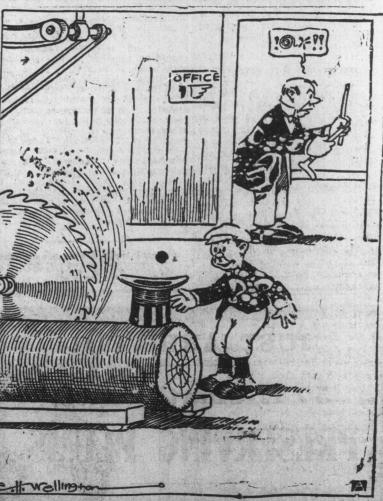
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The policeman at the corner mitted that "the old cove had a le": and this was the very worst could have been said of Nath Coldspike, M. D. and M. S. We admit it without scruple.

The kindly bachelor of mature dle age and sober habit, hadobserving policeman remarkedtaken of light refreshment to the tent of an encore, and his ru jowl and lightsome step did not ceal the fact.

Why should they have done so Was there anything to be ash of; anything to excuse in the con of an old Merchant Gilder wh attended the banquet of his Com upon the eve of Christmas, and partaken of punch, hock, burg champagne, claret, and port, t nothing of brandy-and-sodas and orona cigars? Had not a Lord Ad a Chaplain been his neigh at the board? "Eminently re \$ble," the doctor would have tol

although, to be sure, that phra He did not atempt it. Rather peated the chorus of a blithe which declared that he might been the only girl in the w possibility which did not alar A friendly little conversation pillar-box lacked that discussion Dr. Johnson has told us is no to good talk. He passed of some contempt for his adve silence, and, pulling himself to he prepared to face his own do Here was his Styx, beyond wh the shades and sleep. The doc for quite a long time on the p by the area gate, and it real wonderful how the night air him. He found that he could "The Boy Stood on the Burnin

without anw trace of accent. The stairs were another m The whole reputation of the of Surgeons was at stake h the goose-step did not serve well. Genrally spaking, the finger-tips helped him, and a ing attitude as if one about t was safer under the circum He was a little surprised t light in the drawing-room on floor, and he said with some that his servants must have be ing Christmas prematurely. is the curse of the country, flected, "to say nothing of upon the hearteries"-a joke to have made at the dinner. termined to exert his patrona ity and to try the thing upo

the housemaid. There was no trouble about opening the door. merely to find the handle, w surdly enough, persisted in the side where he did not When, at last, he succeeded easy enough to enter the foon ically and to ask, "What are 3 en doing here?" He did so wi worthy of Martin Harvey. that there was but one won did not immediately discond He was about to call her Ma something in her flashing eye ed the very word upon his lip "I beg your pardon," he sa

She seemed to think that reason to do so. "Such men as you," she cr lower than the beetles we neath our feet-though, God have never had the courage

"You are quite right, mad said; "if anybody is to be crush me!" and he sat hear gilt-backed chair and stare about him. The beautiful tinued to regard him with s that the earth should be as