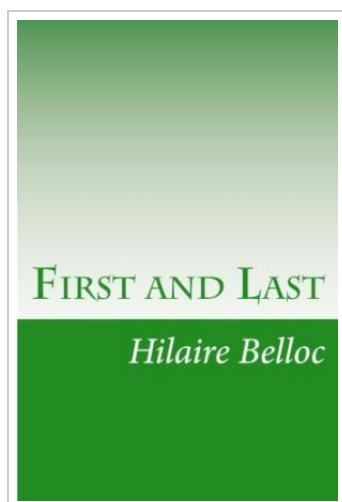




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Createspace, United States, 2014. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Personally I should call it Getting It up, but I have always seen it in print called weighing anchor --and if it is in print one must bow to it. It does weigh. There are many ways of doing it. The best, like all good things, has gone for ever, and this best way was for a thing called a capstan to have sticking out from it, movable, and fitted into its upper rim, other things called capstan--bars. These, men would push singing a song, while on the top of the capstan sat a man playing the fiddle, or the flute, or some other instrument of music. You and I have seen it in pictures. Our sons will say that they wish they had seen it in pictures. Our sons sons will say it is all a lie and was never in anything but the pictures, and they will explain it by some myth or other. Another way is to take two turns of a rope round a donkey-engine, paying in and coiling while the engine clanks. And...



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