

Vladimir Nabokov: A Descriptive Bibliography, Revised

A Hero of Our Time

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Dmitri Nabokov began translating *A Hero of Our Time* in the summer of 1955 in Ithaca, NY. He worked on it on and off and in the summer of 1956 Véra and Vladimir polished it up and finished it in July. Vladimir took one last foray into it with Dmitri in the late summer. (See *VNTAY* 268, 296–97.)

Edition Summary

A31.1 A Hero of Our Time FIRST EDITION (DOUBLEDAY), 6-Mar-1958, 3 issues

A31.2 A Hero of Our Time FIRST BRITISH EDITION (OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS), 1984, 2 issues

A31.3 A Hero of Our Time NEW AMERICAN WRAPPERS EDITION (ARDIS), Jun-1988, 3 issues

A31.4 A Hero of Our Time NEW BRITISH EDITION (EVERYMAN'S LIBRARY), 1992, 1 issue

A31.5 A Hero of Our Time NEW AMERICAN EDITION (EVERYMAN'S LIBRARY), 1992, 1 issue

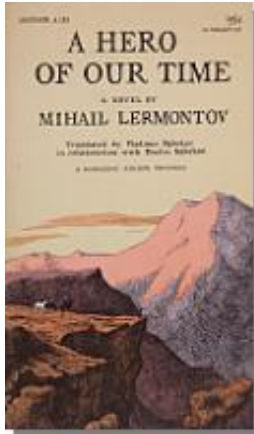
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A Hero of Our Time

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FIRST EDITION (DOUBLEDAY)

¶ First printing, 6-Mar-1958



A31.1 First printing, 1958, cover, front



A31.1 First printing, 1958, title page



A31.1 First printing, 1958, copyright page

Collation: (18.1 X 10.5 cm), undetermined, 120 leaves, pp. [i–v] vi–xix [xx–xxiv] [1] 2 [3] 4–49 [50] 51–62 [63] 64 [65] 66–80 [81] 82–181 [182] 183–194 [195] 196–210 [211–216]

Title page: A Hero | of Our Time | \rule\ | A Novel by | Mihail Lermontov | \rule\ | Translated | from the Russian by | Vladimir Nabokov | in collaboration with | Dmitri Nabokov | \rule\ | Doubleday Anchor Books | Doubleday & Company, Inc. | Garden City, New York | 1958

Copyright page: The cover by Edward Gorey is taken from a | portion of a painting by Lermontov, repro- | duced in a collection of essays on Lermontov, in the series *Literaturnoe nasledstvo*, | part 1 of issue 43-44, Moscow, 1941, fac- | ing p. 752, Caucasian view with Mount El- | bruz, oil, 1837, *Institut literaturi*, Lenin- | grad. Typography by Edward Gorey. Map | by Raphael Palacios adapted from an orig- | inal by Dmitri Nabokov. | *Library of Congress Catalog Card Number 58-6585* | Copyright © 1958 by Vladimir and Dmitri Nabokov | All Rights Reserved | Printed in the United States of America | First Edition

Binding: White wrappers. **Front cover:** ANCHOR A 133 95¢ | IN CANADA \$1.10 | A HERO | OF OUR TIME | A NOVEL BY | MIHAIL LERMONTOV | Translated by Vladimir Nabokov | in collaboration with Dmitri Nabokov | A DOUBLEDAY ANCHOR ORIGINAL | \illustration, wrapping around to spine, by Edward Gorey from a portion of a Lermontov painting of a Caucasian view with Mt. Elbruz\ **Back cover:** \title, author, description\ A DOUBLEDAY ANCHOR BOOK. **Spine:** \running down\ A HERO OF OUR TIME | MIHAIL LERMONTOV | \running across\ ANCHOR | A 133

Contents: [i] half-title, [ii] biographical note on Lermontov, [iii] title page, [iv] copyright page, [v] translator's foreword, vi–xix translator's foreword, xx blank, [xxi] table of contents, [xxii] blank, [xxiii] fly-title, [xxiv] map, [1] text, 2–194 text (with unnumbered pp. 3, 50, 63, 65, 81, and 182 at chapter beginnings), [195] notes, 196–210 notes, [211–214] publisher ads, [215–216] blank

Series and Number: Anchor, A133

Price: \$.95

Description: The translation of the Lermontov poem, which Nabokov writes “might be entitled ‘The Triple Dream’”, appears in the “Translator’s Foreword”.

Additional Works: Includes a map, “Lermontov’s Caucasus”, by Raphael Palacios adapted from an original by Dmitri Nabokov, according to the copyright page.

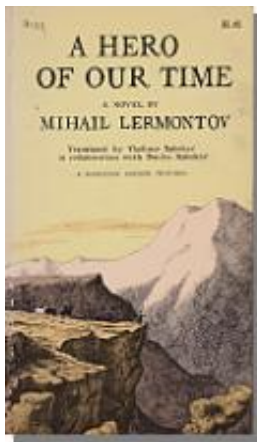
Works:

- 1) Translator’s Foreword [to *A Hero of Our Time*]
- 2) A Hero of Our Time
– Translated by Nabokov in collaboration with Dmitri Nabokov.
- 3) Notes [to *A Hero of Our Time*]

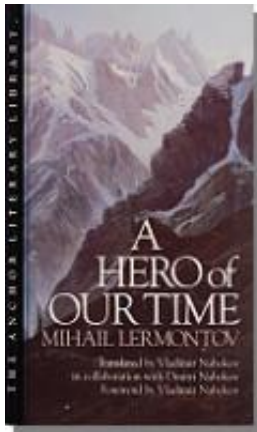
¶ Second printing, 6-Mar-1958

As first printing, except

Title page: \without the last line, “1958”\



A31.1 Second printing, 1958, cover, front



A31.1 Third printing, cover, front

A31.2



A31.2 First printing, variant a, 1984, cover, front

Copyright page: ... | The Anchor Books edition is the first publication of this | translation of *A Hero of Our Time*. | Anchor Books edition: 1958 | ... | \without the last line, "First Edition"

Binding: White wrappers. **Front cover:** \the artwork has a different coloration\ A133 \$1.45 | ... **Back cover:** FICTION | ...

Contents: The last six pages are publisher ads numbered 7Aa (with "19 M" below), 7Ba, 10Aa, 10Ba, 13Aa, and 13Ba

Price: \$1.45

¶ Third printing, date unknown

As second printing, except

Copyright page: \Without the nine lines at the top\

Binding: White wrappers. **Front cover:** \illustration by Carl Gustav Carus, *High Mountains: View of the Mont Blanc Group from Montenvers near Chamonix*\

Contents: No publisher ads at the back

ISBN/ISBN-13/SBN: 0-385-09344-6

Series and Number: The Anchor Literary Library

Price: \$4.95

Description: Lermontov's Caucasus mountains are replaced on the cover with a view of the Alps.

FIRST BRITISH EDITION (OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS)

¶ First printing, variant a, 1984

Collation: (18.6 X 11.6 cm), pp. [i–vii] viii–xix [xx–xxii] [1] 2 [3] 4–41 [42] 43–52 [53] 54 [55] 56–67 [68] 69–148 [149] 150–159 [160–161] 162–176 [177–178]

Title page: THE WORLD'S CLASSICS | \short thick & thin double rule\ | MIKHAIL LERMONTOV | *A Hero of Our Time* | \short thin & thick double rule\ | *Translated by* | VLADIMIR NABOKOV | *in collaboration with* | DMITRI NABOKOV | *Foreword by* | VLADIMIR NABOKOV | Oxford | OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS | 1984

Copyright page: ... | First published as a World's Classics paperback 1984 | ... | ISBN 0-19-281401-X | ... | *Printed in Great Britain* ... | ...

Binding: White wrappers. **Front cover:** \illustration by Lermontov, *Fight in the Mountains of Daghestan*\

ISBN/ISBN-13/SBN: 0-19-281401-X

Series and Number: The World's Classics

Price: £1.95

Works:

- 1) Translator's Foreword [to *A Hero of Our Time*]
- 2) *A Hero of Our Time*
– Translated by Nabokov in collaboration with Dmitri Nabokov.
- 3) Notes [to *A Hero of Our Time*]

¶ First printing, variant b, date unknown

As variant a, except

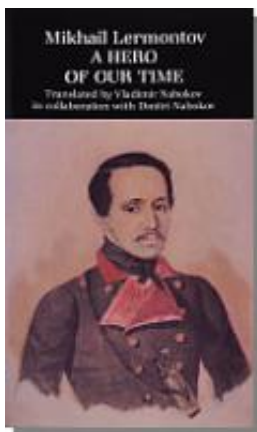
Binding: White wrappers. **Back cover:** \white sticker over original price\ \publisher's device\ Oxford Paperbacks | £2.25 net in UK

Price: £2.25

A31.3

NEW AMERICAN WRAPPERS EDITION (ARDIS)

¶ First printing, Jun-1988



A31.3 First printing, 1988, cover, front

As first edition, except

Collation: (19.0 X 11.3 cm), 240 pages

Title page: Mikhail Lermontov | A HERO | OF OUR TIME | *A Novel* |
Translated from the Russian by | Vladimir Nabokov | in collaboration with
Dmitri Nabokov | *Ardis, Ann Arbor*

Copyright page: ... | First Ardis edition—1988 | ... | ISBN 0-87501-049-0

Binding: White wrappers. **Front cover:** illustration of Lermontov\

ISBN/ISBN-13/SBN: 0-87501-049-0

Price: \$4.95



A31.3 New edition, first printing, 2002, cover, front

¶ New edition, first printing, 2002

As 1988 Ardis edition, first printing, except

Collation: (20.3 X 13.6 cm)

Title page: A Hero of Our Time | Mikhail Lermontov | Translated from the
Russian by | Vladimir Nabokov | in collaboration with Dmitri Nabokov |
\publisher's device\ | ARDIS PUBLISHERS | WOODSTOCK & NEW
YORK

Copyright page: This edition first published in the United States in 2002 by |
Ardis Publishers | Woodstock & New York | ... | Ardis Publishers is an
imprint of Peter Mayer Publishers, Inc. | ... | Printed in Canada | ISBN 0-
87501-049-0 | 1 3 5 7 9 8 6 4 2

Binding: White wrappers. **Front cover:** illustration by Viatcheslav
Grigorievitch Schwarz, *The Tsarina's Retinue on a Spring Excursion*\

Price: \$13.95

¶ New edition, second printing, date unknown

As new edition, first printing, except

Copyright page: \at bottom of page\ ISBN-10: 0-87501-049-0 | ISBN-13:
978-0-87501-049-6 | 3 5 7 9 8 6 4 2

ISBN/ISBN-13/SBN: 978-0-87501-049-6

Price: \$14.95

A31.4

NEW BRITISH EDITION (EVERYMAN'S LIBRARY/DAVID CAMPBELL)

¶ First printing, 1992



A31.4 First printing, 1992, cover, front

Collation: (20.6 X 12.5 cm), pp. [i-iv] v [vi] vii-xxix [xxx] 1-13 [14] 15-
186 [187-194]

Title page: MIKHAIL LERMONTOV | \two lines in fancy border\ *A Hero of*
Our Time | Translated from the Russian by | Vladimir and Dmitri
Nabokov | \publisher's device\ | \short rule\ | EVERYMAN'S LIBRARY |
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Copyright page: First included in Everyman's Library, 1992 | ... | ISBN 1-
85715-078-3 | ... | Published by David Campbell Publishers Ltd., 79
Berwick Street, | London W1V 3PF | ...

Binding: Dark plum cloth over boards with headband and ribbon. White
endpapers with pale yellow publisher's device. All edges trimmed. **Front**
and back covers: \blank\. **Spine:** \gilt stamping\ \double rule\ | MIKHAIL |
LERMONTOV | \device\ | A HERO | OF OUR | TIME | \double rule\ |
EVERY- | MAN'S | LIBRARY

Covering: White dust jacket.

ISBN/ISBN-13/SBN: 1-85715-078-3

Series and Number: Everyman's Library, 78

Price: £7.99

Description: Includes an introduction by T.J. Binyon.

Works:

- 1) Translator's Foreword [to *A Hero of Our Time*]
- 2) *A Hero of Our Time*
– Translated by Nabokov in collaboration with Dmitri Nabokov.
- 3) Notes [to *A Hero of Our Time*]

A31.5 NEW AMERICAN EDITION (EVERYMAN'S LIBRARY/KNOPF)

¶ First printing, 1992

As 1992 new British edition, except

Collation: (20.6 X 12.5 cm), pp. [i–iv] v [vi] vii–xxix [xxx] 1–13 [14] 15–186 [187–194]

Title page: MIKHAIL LERMONTOV | \two lines in fancy border\ *A Hero of Our Time* | Translated from the Russian by | Vladimir and Dmitri Nabokov | \publisher's device\ | \short rule\ EVERYMAN'S LIBRARY | Alfred A. Knopf New York | 78

Copyright page: THIS IS A BORZOI BOOK | PUBLISHED BY ALFRED A. KNOPF, INC. | First included in Everyman's Library, 1992 | ... | ISBN 0-679-41327-8 | ... | Printed and bound in Germany

Binding: Dark plum cloth over boards with headband and ribbon. White endpapers with pale yellow publisher's device. All edges trimmed. **Front and back covers:** \blank\. **Spine:** \gilt stamping\ \double rule\ | MIKHAIL | LERMONTOV | \device\ | A HERO | OF OUR | TIME | \double rule\ | EVERY- | MAN'S | LIBRARY | KNOPF

Covering: Partial white dust jacket of front cover and front flap only, covered with clear mylar jacket. **Back cover:** \sticker on mylar jacket with bar code and ISBN\

ISBN/ISBN-13/SBN: 0-679-41327-8

Series and Number: Everyman's Library, 78

Price: \$15.00

Description: Includes an introduction by T.J. Binyon.