## HOW TO MAKE A NOVEL.

A SENSATIONAL SONG.

AIR—Bob and Joan.

RY with me and mix
What will make a Novel,
All hearts to transfix
In house or hall or hovel.
Put the caldron on,
Set the bellows blowing,
We'll produce anon
Something worth the showing.

Toora-loora-loo, &c.

Never mind your plot;
'Tisn't worth the trouble:
Throw into the pot
What will boil and bubble.
Character's a jest;
What's the use of study?

All will stand the test

That's black enough and bloody.

Toora-loora, &c.

Here's the 'Newgate Guide,'
Here's the 'Causes Célèbres;'
Tumble in beside,
Pistol, gun, and sabre.
These Police reports
Those Old Bailey trials,
Horrors of all sorts,
To match the Seven Vials.\*

Toora-loora, &c.

Down into a well,
Lady, thrust your lover;
Truth, as some folks tell,
There he may discover.
Stepdames, sure though slow,
Rivals of your daughters,
Bring us from below
Styx and all its waters.

Toora-loora, &c.

<sup>\*</sup> Seven Dials?-Printer's Devil.

Crime, that breaks all bounds,
Bigamy and arson,
Poison, blood, and wounds,
Will carry well the farce on.
Now it's just in shape;
Yet, with fire and murder,
Treason, too, and rape
Might help it all the further.

Toora-loora, &c.

Or, by way of change,
In your wild narration
Choose adventures strange
Of fraud and personation.
Make the job complete;
Let your vile assassin
Rob and forge and cheat,
For his victim passin'.

Toora-loora, &c.

Tame is Virtue's school;
Paint, as more effective,
Villain, knave, and fool,
With always a Detective.

Hate for Love may sit;
Gloom will do for Gladness,
Banish Sense and Wit,
And dash in lots of Madness.

Toora-loora, &c.

Stir the broth about;

Keep the furnace glowing:

Soon we'll pour it out

In three bright volumes flowing.

Some may jeer and jibe:

We know where the shop is,

Ready to subscribe

For a thousand copies!

Toora-loora-loo, Toora-loora-leddy; Now the dish will do, Now the Novel's ready.