

## *etwist*

enewsletter from The Cleveland Dickens Fellowship

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- **Thurs. Oct. 14, we Zoom to hear Gretta Ryan on the serious aspects of Dickens's American visit: prisons, a school for the blind, etc.**

### **Books on C. D. (Fruit of the Covid lockdowns?):**

- **Ed Moritz recommends clever review of 2 new books on Dickens.**
- **Beth Bliss gladly owns a new book advertised in *The Dickensian*.**
- **Mike Wells found another soon to be published.**
- **Get free CD biography with Audible book trial from Amazon**

### **Also of interest to Dickensians:**

- ***Christmas Carol* still has legs. Receives 5 Tonys.**
- **Get clever and green with Victorian sticker book.**

### **We meet for *American Notes* via Zoom Oct. 14, 7:00 pm.**

**Gretta Ryan** will talk about serious issues Dickens explored in the America of 1842. Think prisons, a school for the blind, slavery and more.

Watch your email for the Zoom link to the meeting.

### **New York Review of Books includes review of 2 new books about C. D. and his works:**

***The Artful Dickens: Tricks and Ploys of the Great Novelist*** and

***The Mystery of Charles Dickens***.

**Ed Moritz** recommended this article to us. Ruth Bernard Yeazell labels Dickens a monopolylogue!

To understand the term, read the article. Her essay is a treat.

Unfortunately, *The New York Review* discourages casual readers from using a link. However, they permit you to read just this article free if you log in as they suggest. Then they can put you on their mailing list, etc., but is that such a bad thing?

[https://nybooks.com/articles/2021/10/07/dickens-multitudes/?lp\\_txn\\_id=1280883](https://nybooks.com/articles/2021/10/07/dickens-multitudes/?lp_txn_id=1280883)

### ***Charles Dickens: My Life.* Edited by Derwin Hope.**

The editor/author searched through the letters, articles in periodicals—anything we have that Dickens wrote—looking for autobiographical materials. What a great idea! The result is Dickens on his life in his own words.

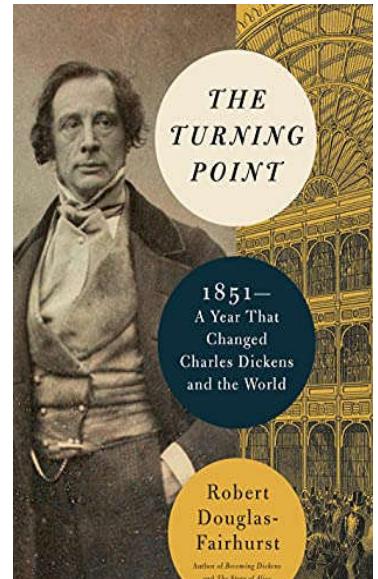
**Beth Bliss** recommends it highly.

Find it on Amazon.

In fact, all the books mentioned in this *etwist* can be found on Amazon.

## **The Turning Point: 1851--A Year That Changed Charles Dickens and the World**

Mike Wells, one of our number, works at Appletree Books, so he's in on titles we haven't seen yet. This one should be available by March 1, 2022. The author, Robert Douglas-Fairhurst, a prof at Oxford, is familiar to Dickensians. Here he narrows his account to the year 1851 in Dickens's life, the year he was facing up to breaking up his marriage, writing *Bleak House*, and working on many other projects as well. All of this when the Great Exhibition was changing how Victorians—and Dickens—understood the world.



## **New CD biography free with Audible book trial from Amazon.**

It's not available until October 7, but you can sign up now. Agree to an Audible trial and receive the BBC radio collection of Dickens when it's ready along with other titles. Use the link below to read about the deal.

<https://www.audible.com/pd/Charles-Dickens-A-BBC-Biography-Audiobook/1529142350>

## **Broadway's *Christmas Carol* of 2019 wins 5 Tony awards.**

Best original score, best lighting design, scenic design, sound design, and costume design. And then Covid struck. Is there any chance this *Carol* could come to Cleveland?

## **Use Victorian sticker book for tissue gift wrap, stationery, green projects.**

Maybe it won't look too crafty if it reflects your interest in the Victorian era and your love of books. Check out this sticker book available at Appletree, Barnes and Noble, Amazon.

