

# Crabbe William Bell

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*Zack* - William Bell 2010-10-15

"But I don't look like a Jewish Negro or a black Jew. I look like a black. I am of average height, of average build, with wavy hair that I wear very short, and very dark skin. Talk about an identity crisis." Ten years after *Crabbe*, Bell returns to the theme of a young man wrestling with his identity. Zack Lane is uncomfortable with his mixed racial origins. He knows much about his father's side, the descendants of Romanian Jews, but his mother broke all ties with her family before Zack was born. Why she did so is the "family mystery." Zack has recently been uprooted when his parents moved from the largest city in Canada to the outskirts of a small town. Friendless, unsuccessful at school and at the lowest point in his life, he undertakes a research project into the life of Richard Pierpoint, former African slave, soldier in the War of 1812, and the pioneer farmer who cleared the land on which Zack's house now stands. Pierpoint's story inspires Zack to go to Mississippi to look for his maternal grandfather. What he discovers shakes the foundations of all he has believed in.

*Saturday Night Dirt* Will Weaver 2009-04-14

It's a sizzling summer Saturday, and Headwaters Speedway has suddenly become the place to be. Thanks to rainouts across the state, this small-town dirt track is drawing both big-time stock cars and local drivers. There's Trace Bonham, whose Street Stock Chevy is acting up in a big way. And Beau Kim, whose "stone soup" Modified has been patched together from whatever parts he could scrape up. And no one could forget Amber Jenkins, a strawberry blonde who has what it takes to run rings around them all. Keeping everyone on track is Melody Walters, who knows that the impending rain might be exactly what they need to keep her father's speedway afloat—or sink it for good. In Will Weaver's high-revving novel, the first in the Motor series, a cast of car-obsessed teens and adults are all out to prove themselves, both on and off the quarter-mile track, as they move through their day on a collision course to meet on Saturday night dirt. *Saturday Night Dirt* is a 2009 Bank Street - Best Children's Book of the Year.

*Beowulf* - Rob Lloyd Jones 2009

CLASSIC FICTION. This is a new title in the "Usborne Reading Programme", which is aimed at children whose reading ability and confidence allows them to tackle longer and more complex stories. Here, the oldest surviving epic in British literature is retold for younger readers following the adventures of hero Beowulf. This title is developed in consultation with Alison Kelly, who is a senior lecturer in education and an early reading specialist from Roehampton University. Ages 6+.

*The Moon and Siphence* - W. Somerset Maugham 1919

*The Book of Secrets* - M.G. Vassanji 2015-12-29

In 1988, a retired schoolteacher named Pius Fernandes receives an old diary found in the back room of an East African shop. Written in 1913 by a British colonial administrator, the diary captivates Fernandes, who begins to research the coded history he encounters in its terse, laconic entries. What he uncovers is a story of forbidden liaisons and simmering vengeance, family secrets and cultural exiles--a story that leads him on an investigative journey through his own past and Africa's.

*The Eye You See With* - Robert Stone 2020

The definitive collection of nonfiction--from war reporting to literary criticism to the sharpest political writing--from the "legend of American letters" (Vanity Fair) Robert Stone was a singular American writer, a visionary whose award-winning novels--including *Dog Soldiers*, *Outerbridge Reach*, and *Damascus Gate*--earned him comparisons to literary lions ranging from Samuel Beckett to Ernest Hemingway to Graham Greene. Stone had an almost prophetic grasp of the spirit of his age, which he captured with crystalline clarity in each of his novels. Of course, he was also a sharp and brilliant observer of American life, and his nonfiction writing is revelatory. *The Eye You See With*--the first and only collection of Robert Stone's nonfiction--was carefully selected by

award-winning novelist and Stone biographer Madison Smartt Bell.

Divided into three sections, the collection includes the best of Stone's war reporting, his writing on social change, and his reflections on the art of fiction. This is an extraordinary volume that offers up a clear-eyed look at the 20th century and secures Robert Stone's place as one of the most original figures in all of American letters.

*Minesweeper (Special Forces, Book 2)* - Chris Lynch 2019-12-03

"All the sizzle, chaos, noise and scariness of war is clay in the hands of ace storyteller Lynch." -- Kirkus Reviews for the World War II series Discover the secret missions behind America's greatest conflicts. Fergus Frew thought he knew what to expect when he signed up with the Navy's demolitions team. But as the Korean War rages on, Fergus and his fellow divers -- AKA "frogmen" -- are tasked with more than just scouting mudflats. Soon they're planting mines. And sabotaging tunnels, bridges... and even fishing nets. Strangest of all, it falls to Fergus to transport a spy into the country -- and that means traveling far from Navy-controlled waters. But frogmen are amphibious. And Fergus may not realize it, but he's in a position to change the way the whole world thinks about combat. National Book Award finalist Chris Lynch continues his explosive fiction series based on the real-life, top-secret history of US black ops and today's heroic Navy SEALs.

*Just Some Stuff I Wrote* - William Bell 2010-05-14

The award-winning author of *Stones* and *Zack* brings us a collection of original stories that will captivate teens as completely as his bestselling novels. With these eight absorbing tales, acclaimed storyteller William Bell explores the highs and lows of characters struggling to belong. In "Chumley," a high school boy's comical eccentricities mask his true, more complicated self. Fourteen-year-old Albert's sudden sense of shame at the grandfather he adores leads to a surprising realization in "Beer Can Man." In "The Staircase," the aftermath of a horrible incident exposes an ugly reality at the heart of a high school. In "Window Tree," a girl grapples with her shattered expectations over a crush she felt certain was requited. Bell's protagonists are individuals and outsiders, often on the margin of their peers or their family. Finding their own place in the world takes them on journeys that are by turns funny, fantastical, and moving. These perceptive, empathetic, and engaging stories show again why William Bell commands such a loyal readership among young adults, teachers, and parents.

*Interlude* - Chantele Sedgwick 2018-02-13

When Mia Cox finds out she can't donate her kidney to save her younger sister's life, she doesn't hesitate to jump on a plane to New York, convinced she can talk their estranged birth mother, Carmen, into donating hers instead. She doesn't know the city or how she'll find Carmen when she gets there, but she has to try. If she doesn't, Maddy's going to die. On the cross-country flight, Mia figures she'll have more than enough time to make a plan for when she lands--where she'll go, where she'll sleep, what she'll eat. But then she falls into an embarrassing conversation with the cute boy sitting next to her, and only after she insults him does she realize he's the one and only Jaxton Scott, the troubled lead singer of a famous rock band she hates. While Mia is running toward what she hopes is a cure for her sister, Jax is running away from his rockstar life. As the hours pass, they get to know each other, and she finds herself opening up to him like she never has to anyone. When Jax volunteers to help Mia on the rest of her journey, she's hesitant to accept his offer. Under different circumstances, she would want to get to know him better, but how can she entertain this random crush on a real-life rockstar while Maddy lies in the hospital, her name one of many on a never-ending transplant list? Though everything seems perfect while they're in the air, once on the ground again, Mia's lack of preparation catches up with her, and she receives grave news from home. Clinging to the shred of hope she has left, she accepts Jax's help but makes it clear that her priority is finding Carmen and saving Maddy's life. She will not, under any circumstances, stray from her mission no

matter how cute, thoughtful, and sweet her new friend may be.

*The Boomerang Effect*- Gordon Jack 2016-11-08

A hilariously subversive YA debut that explores the meaning of friendship and loyalty, and also why you should avoid being trapped in a small space with an angry chicken. Perfect for fans of Andrew Smith's *Winger* and Frank Portman's *King Dork*. It all started with a harmless prank. But now high school junior Lawrence Barry is one step away from reform school unless he participates in a mentorship program. His mentee? Spencer Knudsen, a Norwegian exchange student with Spock-like intelligence but the social skills of the periodic table. Then disaster strikes. Homecoming Week. When someone dressed as the school Viking mascot starts destroying the fairytale-inspired floats, all suspicion falls on Lawrence. Add to the mix a demon Goth girl, a Renaissance LARPing group, an overzealous yearbook editor, and three vindictive chickens, and Lawrence soon realizes that his situation may be a little out of control. But Spencer seems to have some answers. In fact, Spencer may be the one friend Lawrence never knew he needed.

**A Boy No More** - Harry Mazer 2004-08-24

After his father is killed in the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Adam moves with his family from Hawaii to California and begins to doubt his relationship with his Japanese-American best friend, Davi Mori, but when Davi calls upon Adam to complete an important task involving his own father at an internment camp, Adam has to come to terms with his feelings and make the right decision for the sake of a friend.

*Love, Theodosia* - Lori Anne Goldstein 2021-11-02

A Romeo & Juliet tale for Hamilton! fans. In post-American Revolution New York City, Theodosia Burr, a scholar with the skills of a socialite, is all about charming the right people on behalf of her father—Senator Aaron Burr, who is determined to win the office of president in the pivotal election of 1800. Meanwhile, Philip Hamilton, the rakish son of Alexander Hamilton, is all about being charming on behalf of his libido. When the two first meet, it seems the ongoing feud between their politically opposed fathers may be hereditary. But soon, Theodosia and Philip must choose between love and family, desire and loyalty, and preserving the legacy their flawed fathers fought for or creating their own. *Love, Theodosia* is a smart, funny, swoony take on a fiercely intelligent woman with feminist ideas ahead of her time who has long-deserved center stage. A refreshing spin on the Hamiltonian era and the characters we have grown to know and love. It's also a heartbreaking romance of two star-crossed lovers, an achingly bittersweet "what if." Despite their fathers' bitter rivalry, Theodosia and Philip are drawn to each other and, in what unrolls like a Jane Austen novel of manners, we find ourselves entangled in the world of Hamilton and Burr once again as these heirs of famous enemies are driven together despite every reason not to be.

**Unconventional Warfare (Special Forces, Book 1)** - Chris Lynch 2018-11-27

Discover the secret missions behind America's greatest conflicts. Danny Manion has been fighting his entire life. Sometimes with his fists. Sometimes with his words. But when his actions finally land him in real trouble, he can't fight the judge who offers him a choice: jail... or the army. Turns out there's a perfect place for him in the US military: the Studies and Observation Group (SOG), an elite volunteer-only task force comprised of US Air Force Commandos, Army Green Berets, Navy SEALs, and even a CIA agent or two. With the SOG's focus on covert action and psychological warfare, Danny is guaranteed an unusual tour of duty, and a hugely dangerous one. Fortunately, the very same qualities that got him in trouble at home make him a natural-born commando in a secret war. Even if almost nobody knows he's there. National Book Award finalist Chris Lynch begins a new, explosive fiction series based on the real-life, top-secret history of US black ops.

*The Book of Night Women*- Marlon James 2009-02-19

From the author of the National Book Award finalist *Black Leopard, Red Wolf* and the WINNER of the 2015 Man Booker Prize for *A Brief History of Seven Killings* "An undeniable success." — *The New York Times Book Review* A true triumph of voice and storytelling, *The Book of Night Women* rings with both profound authenticity and a distinctly contemporary energy. It is the story of Lilith, born into slavery on a Jamaican sugar plantation at the end of the eighteenth century. Even at her birth, the slave women around her recognize a dark power that they—and she—will come to both revere and fear. The Night Women, as they call themselves, have long been plotting a slave revolt, and as Lilith comes of age they see her as the key to their plans. But when she begins to understand her own feelings, desires, and identity, Lilith starts to push at the edges of what is imaginable for the life of a slave woman, and risks

becoming the conspiracy's weak link. But the real revelation of the book—the secret to the stirring imagery and insistent prose—is Marlon James himself, a young writer at once breathtakingly daring and wholly in command of his craft.

*Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (MinaLima Edition)* Rowling 2021-10-26

A stunning new edition of J.K. Rowling's *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*, with beautiful full color illustrations and eight interactive paper craft elements featuring the Whomping Willow, the Weasleys' Burrow, and more. A gift to be treasured by Harry Potter fans and book lovers of all ages! Prepare to be dazzled by this new edition of J.K. Rowling's *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*, designed and illustrated by MinaLima. With over 150 full-color illustrations and eight exclusive, interactive paper craft elements, readers will travel via the Floo Network, watch out for the Whomping Willow, reveal the spiral staircase to Dumbledore's office, pull Mandrakes from their pots, and more. This keepsake edition is the perfect gift for Harry Potter fans of all ages, a beautiful addition to any collector's bookshelf, and an enchanting way to introduce this beloved series to a new generation of readers.

*The Singer from Memphis* - Gary Corby 2016

Nicolaos, the only private investigator in ancient Athens, discovers that helping an author with his book research can be very dangerous. The would-be author Herodotus has hired Nico and his priestess wife, Diotima, to accompany him to Egypt. Unfortunately, Egypt happens to be in the throes of a rebellion against the Persian Empire. Pirates infest the sea route. Three different armies roam the Egyptian countryside. A simple historical investigation turns into a dangerous adventure of international espionage.

**Poems** - George Crabbe 2014-10-02

Originally published in 1906, this three-volume collection presents the poems of George Crabbe (1754-1832). Volume Two contains Crabbe's twenty one 'Tales' and eleven of his 'Tales of the Hall', as well as notes on the text and variants of certain lines drawn from the many editions of Crabbe's works.

*The Golden Disk* William Bell 1997-05-01

Deep in the blue mountains of China, in the ancient city called Chong-qing, on the longest, twistiest, narrowest lane in the whole city, lived a little girl named Ming-yue. So narrow were the streets, so towering were the houses, poor Ming-yue could barely see up to the sky above. One night during New Years' celebrations, Ming-yue ventured out alone in search of new sights and adventures. Only when she arrived at the open square did her journey lead to a startling discovery—and a new understanding!

**The First Stone** - Don Aker 2010-08-01

Reef is an embittered young offender, hardly able to contain his anger at the world over the death of his grandmother, the only person who had shown him any love. Seventeen-year-old Leeza is mourning the death of her older sister. A stone hurled in rage shatters both their lives and throws them together in the most unexpected way—and offers them a chance at healing.

*The Turn of the Screw* Henry James 2021-01-01

*The Turn of the Screw*, first published in 1898, is a novella written by Henry James, who was considered a master of creating best psychological fiction. It is a gothic novel, work of great horror, by one of the most acclaimed authors of the modern European literature.

*Murder in Wrigley Field* Crabbe Evers 1991

When Chicago pitching ace Dean "Dream" Weaver is shot dead in the tunnel underneath Wrigley Field, the commissioner of baseball assigns veteran sportswriter Duffy House to investigate

**Crabbe** - William Bell 2006

Angry and rebellious, eighteen-year-old Franklin Crabbe skips his final exams and disappears into the Canadian wilderness, where a woman with her own reasons for hiding teaches him how to survive, as well as how to live.

*Only in the Movies* William Bell 2010-01-12

When Jake Blanchard gets a job as a student set designer at the York School of Arts, it's an exciting first step towards realizing his dream of making movies. But soon enough he finds himself starring in a drama of his own creation. Nothing in Jake's life is the same after Vanni, a whip-smart, wisecracking Indian-Irish-Canadian joins his class, and after Jake meets the unforgettable Alba, who is as stunning as she is unattainable. Jake is tongue-tied around Alba and enlists Vanni's help. All of a sudden — like the Shakespeare play Jake's school is putting on — Jake finds himself entwined in a love triangle of sorts, complete with secrets and suppressed passions, contrived plots, miscues and misunderstandings. By

the end, as in any good comedy, tensions are resolved and Jake's world has been re-made, though in a way he could not have anticipated.

**Absolutely Invincible** - William Bell 2001

*Forge* - Laurie Halse Anderson 2012-04

Separated from his friend Isabel after their daring escape from slavery, fifteen-year-old Curzon serves as a free man in the Continental Army at Valley Forge until he and Isabel are thrown together again, as slaves once more.

*The Hourglass* - Tracy Rees 2017-05-04

'I love Tracy's writing' Gill Paul, author of *Another Woman's Husband* Get swept away with a gorgeous novel about finding love even after it seems too late... How much can a place change your life? 1950. Chloe visits Tenby every summer. She stays with relatives, and spends the long, idyllic days on the beach. Every year is the same, until she meets a glamorous older boy and is instantly smitten. But on the night of their first date, Chloe comes to a realisation, the aftermath of which could haunt her forever. 2014. Nora has always taken success for granted, until suddenly her life begins to fall apart. Troubled by anxiety and nightmares, she finds herself drawn to the sweeping beaches of Tenby. But Tenby hides a secret, and Nora will soon discover that this little town by the sea has the power to heal even the most painful memories. Tracy Rees' latest historical novel *DARLING BLUE* is also available now! \*\*\*

Everyone is loving *THE HOURGLASS*... 'My favourite book of the year so far and definitely Tracy Rees' best to date' Amazon reviewer 'Tracy Rees writes from the heart and with an obvious passion for her characters' Kathryn Hughes 'Tracy Rees is the most outstanding new voice in historical fiction' Lucinda Riley 'A lovely, tender, enjoyable mystery' Rachel Hore 'A story about second chances ... A triumphant third novel' Amazon reviewer 'A really heartwarming story which is my favourite Tracy Rees so far' Amazon Reviewer \*\*\* Also by Tracy Rees: Amy Snow Florence Grace *Darling Blue*

**Stones** - William Bell 2010-09-03

Garnet Havelock was always a bit different from other guys. He never quite fit in and he was okay with that. Now, in his final year of high school, he's just marking time, waiting to get out into the real world. When a mysterious girl transfers to his school Garnet thinks he might have found the girl of his dreams, if only he could get her to talk to him. As Garnet struggles to win over one girl, another girl is trying to get his attention - unfortunately she lived over 150 years ago. Garnet becomes fascinated by her history and that of the black community she belonged to. As he draws closer to the truth, he uncovers a horrifying chapter in his town's history, and discovers the ways in which deep-seated prejudices and persecution from the past can still reverberate in the present.

*The Devil's Engine: Hellwalkers* - Alexander Gordon Smith 2017-11-07

From the author of *Fury*, *The Devil's Engine: Hellwalkers* concludes an explosive trilogy about the secret battle for control of an all-powerful ancient machine which can grant you anything you wish for, in exchange for your soul. In the third and final book of Alexander Gordon Smith's *Devil's Engine* series, Marlow and Pan are in hell. Literally in hell. Faced with the awful truth of being trapped in the underworld for an eternity—of Pan being trapped—Marlow makes a final deal with the Devil, a deal to go home. But he should have known: there is no real escape from a fight with the ultimate enemy. And when all hell breaks loose, it will be a war to end all wars—with demonic creatures spilling into the streets, monsters emerging from the shadows. Only the Hellraisers stand in their way, and they're not sure this is a battle they can win. They have no powers, they have no weapons. But they have each other, and they have hope, and they know how to kick ass.

**Three Day Road** - Joseph Boyden 2006-04-25

Set in Canada and the battlefields of France and Belgium, *Three-Day Road* is a mesmerizing novel told through the eyes of Niska—a Canadian Oji-Cree woman living off the land who is the last of a line of healers and diviners—and her nephew Xavier. At the urging of his friend Elijah, a Cree boy raised in reserve schools, Xavier joins the war effort. Shipped off to Europe when they are nineteen, the boys are marginalized from the Canadian soldiers not only by their native appearance but also by the fine marksmanship that years of hunting in the bush has taught them. Both become snipers renowned for their uncanny accuracy. But while Xavier struggles to understand the purpose of the war and to come to terms with his conscience for the many lives he has ended, Elijah becomes obsessed with killing, taking great risks to become the most accomplished sniper in the army. Eventually the harrowing and bloody truth of war takes its toll on the two friends in different, profound ways.

Intertwined with this account is the story of Niska, who herself has borne witness to a lifetime of death—the death of her people. In part inspired by the legend of Francis Pegahmagabow, the great Indian sniper of World War I, *Three-Day Road* is an impeccably researched and beautifully written story that offers a searing reminder about the cost of war.

*A Boy at War* - Harry Mazer 2012-06-26

They rowed hard, away from the battleships and the bombs. Water sprayed over them. The rowboat pitched one way and then the other. Then, before his eyes, the *Arizona* lifted up out of the water. That enormous battleship bounced up in the air like a rubber ball and split apart. Fire burst out of the ship. A geyser of water shot into the air and came crashing down. Adam was almost thrown out of the rowboat. He clung to the seat as it swung around. He saw blue skies and the glittering city. The boat swung back again, and he saw black clouds, and the *Arizona*, his father's ship, sinking beneath the water. -- from *A Boy at War* "He kept looking up, afraid the planes would come back. The sky was obscured by black smoke....It was all unreal: the battleships half sunk, the bullet holes in the boat, Davi and Martin in the water."

December 7, 1941: On a quiet Sunday morning, while Adam and his friends are fishing near Honolulu, a surprise attack by Japanese bombers destroys the fleet at Pearl Harbor. Even as Adam struggles to survive the sudden chaos all around him, and as his friends endure the brunt of the attack, a greater concern hangs over his head: Adam's father, a navy lieutenant, was stationed on the *USS Arizona* when the bombs fell. During the subsequent days Adam -- not yet a man, but no longer a boy -- is caught up in the war as he desperately tries to make sense of what happened to his friends and to find news of his father. Harry Mazer, whose autobiographical novel, *The Last Mission*, brought the European side of World War II to vivid life, now turns to the Pacific theater and how the impact of war can alter young lives forever.

**Fallen Angels** - Walter Dean Myers 2013-11-07

*Fallen Angels* by Walter Dean Myers is a young adult novel about seventeen-year-old Richie Perry, a Harlem teenager who volunteers for the Army when unable to afford college and is sent to fight in the Vietnam War. Perry and his platoon—Peewee, Lobel, Johnson, and Brunner—come face-to-face with the Vietcong, the harsh realities of war, and some dark truths about themselves. A thoughtful young man with a gift for writing and love of basketball, Perry learns to navigate among fellow soldiers under tremendous stress and struggles with his own fear as he sees things he'll never forget: the filling of body bags, the deaths of civilians and soldier friends, the effects of claymore mines, the fires of Napalm, and jungle diseases like Nam Rot. Available as an e-book for the first time on the 25th anniversary of its publication, *Fallen Angels* has been called one of the best Vietnam War books ever and one of the great coming-of-age Vietnam War stories. Filled with unforgettable characters, not least Peewee Gates of Chicago who copes with war by relying on wisecracks and dark humor, *Fallen Angels* "reaches deep into the minds of soldiers" and makes "readers feel they are there, deep in the heart of war." *Fallen Angels* has won numerous awards and honors, including the Coretta Scott King Award, an ALA Best Book for Young Adults, a Booklist Editors Choice, and a School Library Journal Best Book. *Fallen Angels* was #16 on the American Library Association's list of the most frequently challenged books of 1990-2000 for its realistic depiction of war and those who fight in wars.

**Freeze Frame** - Heidi Ayrabe 2009-10-06

No matter how many times Kyle rewrites the scene, he can't get it right. He tries it in the style of Hitchcock, Tarantino, Eastwood, all of his favorite directors—but regardless of the style, he can't remember what happened that day in the shed. The day Jason died. And until he can, there is one question that keeps haunting Kyle: Did he kill his best friend on purpose? Debut novelist Heidi Ayrabe delves into the depths of the human psyche as Kyle wrestles with inner demons that make him wonder whether the world will ever be okay again—or if the best thing to do is find a way to join Jason.

*Five Days of the Ghost* - William Bell 2010

While exploring an ancient Indian graveyard on an island in the middle of a lake, Karen Stone and her brother John encounter a man sitting on a gravestone who then vanishes suddenly, leaving behind a small, mysterious pouch. Reprint.

*Josh Gibson* - William Brashler 2000

This illuminating biography introduces an authentic American sports hero and recaptures the mood and style.

*Sink or Swim a Novel of War* - Steve Watkins 2017

In January 1942, twelve-year-old Colton is on his family's fishing boat in

the Atlantic with his older brother Danny when the boat is capsized by a Nazi U-boat, and Danny is severely injured; realizing how close the enemy is, Colton takes his brother's enlistment papers and joins the Navy, determined to do his part to defeat Germany--if only he can keep his age a secret and survive life at sea.

**Vera** - Carol Edgarian 2021-03-02

New York Times bestselling author Carol Edgarian delivers "an all-encompassing and enthralling" (Oprah Daily) novel featuring an unforgettable heroine coming of age in the aftermath of catastrophe, and her quest for love and reinvention. Meet Vera Johnson, fifteen-year-old illegitimate daughter of Rose, notorious proprietor of San Francisco's most legendary bordello. Vera has grown up straddling two worlds—the madam's alluring sphere, replete with tickets to the opera, surly henchmen, and scant morality, and the quiet domestic life of the family paid to raise her. On the morning of the great quake, Vera's worlds collide. As the city burns and looters vie with the injured, orphaned, and starving, Vera and her guileless sister, Pie, are cast adrift. Disregarding societal norms and prejudices, Vera begins to imagine a new kind of life. She collaborates with Tan, her former rival, and forges an unlikely family of survivors, navigating through the disaster together. "A character-driven novel about family, power, and loyalty, (San Francisco Chronicle), Vera brings to life legendary characters—tenor Enrico Caruso, indicted

mayor Eugene Schmitz and boss Abe Ruef, tabloid celebrity Alma Spreckels. This "brilliantly conceived and beautifully realized" (Booklist, starred review) tale of improbable outcomes and alliances takes hold from the first page, with remarkable scenes of devastation, renewal, and joy. Vera celebrates the audacious fortitude of its young heroine, who discovers an unexpected strength in unprecedented times.

*Crabbe's Journey* William Bell 1986-01-01

Feeling misunderstood at home and at school, Crabbe, a wealthy Canadian teenager, runs off to live in the woods where he meets a mysterious woman who teaches him about outdoor survival and taking responsibility for one's life.

**No Signature** - William Bell 2011-03-11

NOTHING'S WORSE THAN NOT KNOWING. "Wick" Chandler is obsessed with the past. When he sets out to find the father who abandoned him when he was seven years old, Wick begins a quest that brings revelations he never would have imagined--revelations that shatter the world he thought he knew. Award-winning author William Bell's sixth novel is an inspiring and unforgettable story of the value of human relationships.

**Tales of the Hall** - George Crabbe 1819

The Village - George Crabbe 1783