

### **A Short History of England.**

By Edward P. Cheyney, Professor of European History in the University of Pennsylvania. Ginn & Co. Boston. 1904. Pages 695.

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By Leo. Tolstoi. Ginn & Co., Boston. Pp. 50.

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