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Publications

Fiction

Publication Details	Notes
COLD WRATH 2019 Severn House Publishers	On a hot summer morning, Miles Law cycles into the village of Millington in the Vale of York, on his way to a few hours' work as an under gardener at The Grange. But when he arrives, he finds his employer slumped in an armchair in the drawing room, a bullet wound on his forehead. Miles' employer was a secretive and reclusive man who kept his employees and neighbours at a distance. Who was Anthony Garrett, and who are the three young, identical-looking blonde women who called at the house a few days before his body was discovered? Detective Chief Inspector George Hennessey and Detective Superintendent Somerled Yellich are soon on the hunt for a ruthless and efficient killer...
A COLD CASE 2017 Severn House Publishers	Introducing Maurice Mundy, retired detective constable at the Met; a maverick who's back and about to raise the temperature on a ten-year-old unsolved murder of a young boy. Maurice Mundy, recently retired detective constable at the Metropolitan Police, has returned to join Scotland Yard's Cold Case Review Team. Ten years ago a twelve-year-old boy was murdered, his body left floating in a nearby pond. A second look at the case soon reveals that a sex worker was also murdered nearby on the same night. While nothing linked the two murders at the time, it is one of a number of attacks on sex workers over a twenty-year period that Essex Police are still investigating as part of Operation Moonlight. Known as a loose cannon who doesn't always play by the rules, Mundy is in danger of ruffling more than a few feathers as he probes deeper into the events of that fateful night. Will his maverick approach lead him to the truth, or will it prove to be a dangerous step too far?

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DENIAL OF MURDER 2014 Severn House Publishers	<p>When the bodies of two murder victims are discovered within twenty-four hours of each other at the same location, each with a similar cause of death, the Murder and Serious Crime Squad of New Scotland Yard realise they must be linked. But how? Vicary and his team are drawn into a complex investigation - one which will take them from remote cottages in rural Hampshire to the dark world of inner city sex workers, child abuse within north London suburbia, and the injustice of a long-standing wrongful conviction.</p>
GIFT WRAPPED 2013 Severn House Publishers	<p>A set of anonymous postcards leads Detective Chief Inspector Hennessey to make a chilling discovery.</p> <p>When four postcards are sent anonymously to an advice centre, each with the word 'murder' scribbled in a foreign language and the same precise OS map reference, DCI Hennessey and his team visit the sinister location and make a chilling discovery: the body of a professional man who had been reported missing ten years earlier. Who sent the postcards, and why so long after the crime? As Hennessey and his team investigate they find themselves drawn into a puzzling and dangerous investigation.</p>
THE GARDEN PARTY 2012 Severn House Publishers	<p>A note that is discovered hidden in a wall cavity of a London hotel leads Detective Inspector Harry Vicary and his team to a burial site containing the charred bones of two men. Their investigation quickly leads them into a dark and brutal world, but who were the dead men and how did they meet their fate? To solve the case Vicary must uncover what happened at a notorious gangland garden party - a party from which two men never returned . . .</p>
DEEP COVER 2011 Severn House	<p>A Harry Vicary the second novel in a brand-new crime series set in London from the author of the Hennessey and Yellich mysteries.</p> <p>When the snow thaws on London's Hampstead Heath after a harsh winter, a ghoulish discovery is made that marks the start of a very dangerous case for Detective Inspector Harry Vicary and his team. A body of a man is found on top of a shallow grave containing the battered remains of a young woman. He appears to have frozen to death, but what is his connection to the remains below? Vicary's investigation leads him deep into London's criminal underworld.</p>
AFTERMATH 2011 Severn House Publishers	<p>The latest Hennessey and Yellich mystery - When five corpses in various states of decomposition are found chained to the walls of a kitchen garden, Hennessey and Yellich quickly begin their investigation. The recently deceased owner of the house was housebound for the last twenty-five years, and so would have had no idea of the appalling crimes taking place yards away. At first, there doesn't seem to be much to go on - the victims appear to have little in common - but Hennessey and Yellich know that the dead must hold the clues they need . . .</p>
IMPROVING THE SILENCE 2010 Severn House Publishers	<p>When a body is discovered in a rough grave, deep in the woods, the police find that it is of one of their young undercover officers who died nearly thirty years ago. As their inquiries from slender clues progress, it becomes clear that what they are also uncovering is a sordid tale of corruption and murder within their own ranks.</p>

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NO STONE UNTURNED 2008 Severn House Publishers	The latest Hennessey and Yellich mystery
TURNING POINT 2008 Severn House Publishers	A Hennessey and Yellich Mystery
IN VINO VERITAS 2016 Severn House	A tip-off leading to the discovery of a young woman s body throws Harry Vicary and his team into another perplexing murder investigation." Big Andy Cragg s drunken disclosure to an undercover police officer in a West London pub that he was once party to the disposal of the body of a murder victim sets a sinister and disturbing chain of events in motion for Harry Vicary and his team. A body is found exactly where Cragg said it would be, and the consequent investigation plunges Vicary into a labyrinth world of contract killings, witness intimidation and large-scale money laundering. Can he piece together the clues to uncover why a young woman was so brutally murdered?
DEEP AND CRISP AND EVEN 1981 St Martins Pr	

Other

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THE ALTERED CASE SEVERN HOUSE	A Detective Hennessey novel.
THE LONG- HAired COLONEL SEVERN HOUSE	A Detective Hennessey novel.
ONCE A BIKER 2007 SEVERN HOUSE	When a death bed confession leads to the reopening of a murder case, it doesn't bode well when both victims were members of the same bikers' gang twenty years ago. As Detective Chief Inspector Hennessey and his team try to investigate, it seems the vow of silence is still as strong as it was all those years ago, and many ex-gang members refuse to discuss those days of dangerous initiation rites and violent dares. But, when an ex-member is suddenly found murdered, it seems that someone is determined to keep old secrets dead and buried...

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CHELSEA SMILE 2007 SEVERN HOUSE	This book features a new case for Hennessey and Yellich. Five years after Duncan Percival is rendered a vegetable after a vicious attack, he finally dies. It is now a murder investigation and DCI Hennessey and DS Yellich are brought in to renew the evidence and reinterview the suspects, along with DS Thompson Ventnor who worked on the original investigation. As they delve deeper, bodies start turning up and the links to a criminal gang become clear. But who is the leader of the organization, and who is pulling the strings now that Duncan Percival is dead? Hennessey, Yellich and Ventnor are drawn into York's criminal underworld where grasses are punished and the gruesome Chelsea Smile is the favoured method of retribution...
Fire Burn 2007 SEVERN HOUSE	A badly burned body - male, presumed local. And then, another charred corpse. Related? Crimes of passion or revenge? Family feud? Possibly the latter, but neither of the children seem likely perpetrators, even though son Gregory, with a cast-iron alibi, is a chilling piece of work. Set as usual in and around York, Hennessey and Yellich investigate the private and business lives of the deceased but throw up little hard evidence. And Detective Chief Inspector, Hennessey's gut feeling as to the identity of the killer, based on years of experience and intuition, is shaken when another burned body is discovered. And then another. Is this the work of a serial killer and can two honest and hardworking policeman unearth enough clues to prevent a further tragedy?
FALSE KNIGHT 2006 SEVERN HOUSE	A bin man finds a woman's thigh in a refuse sack. Hennessey investigates.
SWEET HUMPHREY 2006 SEVERN HOUSE	Humphrey Sweet is in a secure mental hospital after confessing to three child murders. His sinister influence on the outside world, however, continues.
THE CHILL FACTOR 2005 SEVERN HOUSE	A corpse is discovered in the middle of the city of York. Male; no identification. Shot. And tortured before his murder. Hennessey and Yellich investigate.
THE TROPHY WIFE 2005 ALLISON & BUSBY	Another novel from "the best of our home-grown police proceduralists" (The Guardian).
THE LEGACY 2005 ALLISON & BUSBY	"Exciting, atmospheric, unmistakably authentic" (Literary Review) "A Master" (The Times)
HOPES AND FEARS 2004 ALLISON & BUSBY	Another gripping Hennessey novel.

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REALITY CHECKPOINT 2004 ALLISON & BUSBY	Inspector Sydney Household investigates two baffling crimes - a series of abductions by the "Cambridge Panther," and the appearance of Edward de Beer`s skeleton 30 years after he vanished.
ALL ROADS LEADETH 2003 SEVERN HOUSE	When Francis Armstrong moves into his fussily designed Victorian house in the heart of the Vale of York, his August stretches before him in a haze of leisurely house refurbishments. His decision to move a pile of rubble, however, brings DCI Hennessey and Sergeant Yellich springing to the scene at the double. The woman`s skeleton they study alongside Louise D`Acre, the lovely pathologist, points the finger of blame firmly and soon all the roads of evidence are leading in one direction.
TREASURE TROVE 2003 Severn House	A retired academic makes the grim discovery of four murdered corpses, all of the same family. Suspicion falls on the one surviving member but the case soon unravels the story of a family that has fallen from grace with the peerage, and a village which is keeping its own secrets.
DARK SECRETS 2002 Severn	A drunkard stumbles into Mickelgate Bar police station in the ancient city of York and reports having recovered the memory of witnessing a murder being committed. The police, initially sceptical, investigate the man`s claim and discover the body of a young woman in a shallow grave in an area of rural waste ground. Detective Chief Inspector Hennessey`s investigation leads to the solving of a series of disappearances which, to his professional embarrassment, had not been linked, and which by tragic coincidence leads him to revisit his own past and the tragedy therein.
AFTER THE FLOOD 2002 Severn	Yet again, floods have played havoc with the Yorkshire countryside and when one river changes its course, a corpse comes to light. When DCI George Hennessey and DC Yellich get to it they discover that its head has been severed from the body. There could be a whole load of reasons for that. But as the case progresses, there doesn`t seem to be a good reason for it at all.
PERILS AND DANGERS 2001 Severn	Nathan Ossler was a blackmailer. So when he is found slumped in an armchair with the front of his head missing, nobody in the village of Strensall is shocked. But who did pull the trigger of the .22 handgun? Chief Inspector Hennessey and Detective Sergeant Yellich investigate.
THE RETURN 2001 Severn	
DEATHTRAP 2000 Severn	George Hennessey has always been proud of being a DCI in the Vale of York. Until, that is, the body of an ambitious newshound is discovered, and his apparent suicide opens a can of worms which leads to a host of unsolved murders from the past
FEAR OF DROWNING 1999 HARPERCOLLINS	When middle-aged couple Max and Amanda Williams go missing from their home near York, Chief Inspector Hennessey`s worst fears are realised when their bodies are found in a shallow grave. Trapped beneath their bodies is a biro from Sheringham`s, a local health club.....

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THE JUSTICE GAME 1998 BBC Books	When Dominic, maverick would-be-advocate, meets the enchanting and enigmatic Francesca, he finds himself caught up in a web of murder and revenge. He might be a past master of the justice in Glasgow but, as the web draws him inexorably to Italy, nothing is as it seems and there is a high price to pay.
THE MAN WITH NO FACE 1998 HARPERCOLLINS	
EMBRACING SKELETONS 1996 HARPERCOLLINS	A body of a child is found on Marston Moor, part incinerated and half starved. Information received points to a more widespread evil than child murder. The police are faced with an almost impossible task, especially with the suspicion of a traitor in their midst.
THE KILLING FLOOR 1993 HARPERCOLLINS	An error by a motorist leads to the discovery of a decomposed headless and handless corpse in the garden of a house in one of Glasgow's prestigious suburbs. For Glasgow's P Division, the first task is to identify the body - an identification which reveals a person with a talent for making enemies.
LONG DAY MONDAY 1992 Gullane	For the officers of Glasgow's P Division, a call-out to a vehicle abandoned deep in the surrounding countryside seems purely routine - until disturbed topsoil indicates that something far more sinister has been abandoned.
AND DID MURDER HIM 1991 HARPERCOLLINS	The body is found in a Glasgow alley, the murder weapon lies nearby with the murderer's fingerprints on it. It seems like an open and shut case until the officers of P division begin their investigations.
DEEP AND CRISP AND EVEN 1991 HARPERCOLLINS	
CONDITION PURPLE 1989 HARPERCOLLINS	Officers of Glasgow's P Divison investigate the brutal knifing of a young prostitute in a police procedural in which the slender threads of evidence are gradually twined into a noose.
TWO WAY CUT 1988 HARPERCOLLINS	
THE CLAWS OF THE GRYPHON 1986 HARPERCOLLINS	

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Big Money 1986 HARPERCOLLINS	
FAIR FRIDAY 1983 HARPERCOLLINS	
DEAD KNOCK 1982 HARPERCOLLINS	
