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Ron and Leanne

DEPARTMENT Q: VICTIM 2117

ADLER-OLSEN, Jussi
Noir TP \$32.99

FABIAN RISK: MOTIVE X

AHNHEM, Stefan
Fabian Risk first appears in *Victim Without a Face* (PBK, \$19.99).
Mystery/thriller PBK \$19.99

AGATHA RAISIN: BEATING ABOUT THE BUSH

BEATON, M C
Mystery PBK \$19.99

JOE PICKETT: LONG RANGE

BOX, C J
Thriller TP \$32.99

NANTUCKET CANDLE MAKER MYSTERIES 02:

MURDER MAKES SCENTS
BRECHER, Christin
Stella and her globetrotting mom, Millie, have come home from a perfume industry conference in Paris. It's a relief for Stella to be back on her picturesque island, with the comforting company of her cat, Tinker. But lingering danger may have followed them back across the ocean. After someone breaks into her candle store, the Wick & Flame, Stella starts feeling spooked. And just as things threaten to ignite, Millie suffers a blow to the head. Stella receives an anonymous note claiming that her mother smuggled a secret formula out of France – and threatening her life, if it isn't returned...
Mystery PBK \$18.99

FALLEN ANGEL

BROOKMYRE, Chris
To new nanny Amanda, the Temple family seem to have it all: the former actress; the famous professor; their three successful, grownup children. But like any family, beneath the smiles and hugs there lurks far darker emotions. Sixteen years earlier, little Niamh Temple died, while they were on holiday in Portugal. Now, as Amanda joins the family for a reunion at their seaside villa, she begins to suspect one of them might be hiding something terrible... And suspicion is a dangerous thing. A standalone novel from the master of tartan noir.
Suspense PBK \$22.99

FURTHER ADVENTURES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES:

THE MARTIAN MENACE
BROWN, Eric
Humankind, lulled into a false sense of security, welcomes the Martians who bring with them a host of technological and scientific wonders; and, for several years, an *entente* exists between the two races. It is only when Holmes and Watson travel to the Red Planet, ostensibly to track down the killer of an eminent Martian philosopher, that they learn the truth: the Martians who invaded Earth are tyrannical despots who subjugated a 'lesser' race of their own kind, and are merely biding their time to enslave the citizens of Earth...
Sherlockiana PBK \$19.99

WRITER'S APPRENTICE MYSTERIES 05:

DEATH WITH A DARK RED ROSE
BUCKLEY, Julia
Mystery PBK \$18.99

IT WALKS BY NIGHT: A PARIS MYSTERY

CARR, John Dickson
British Library Crime Classics TP \$29.95

EDDIE FLYNN: FIFTY-FIFTY

CAVANAGH, Steve
Thriller TP \$32.99

NO BAD DEED

CHAVEZ, Heather
You're driving home from work to your husband and children. Suddenly, a woman is front of your car. She's being attacked. You call the police and they tell you to stay in the car. But what if you got out to help? What might the consequences be? You save the woman, but the attacker takes your handbag. And your car. And, then, the next day, when you think it's all over, your husband disappears. He's gone without a trace. And then he texts you. *I'm sorry*. But is it really him? Nothing could have prepared you for what happens next...
Thriller TP \$29.99

NOODLE SHOP MYSTERIES 05: EGG DROP DEAD

CHIEN, Vivien
Mystery PBK \$22.95

TWO RIVERS: THE LONG CALL

CLEEVE, Ann
In North Devon, where the rivers Taw and Torridge converge and run into the sea, Detective Matthew Venn stands outside the church – as his father's funeral takes place. The day Matthew turned his back on the strict evangelical community in which he grew up, he lost his family too. Now, he's back, not just to mourn his father at a distance, but to take charge of his first major case in the Two Rivers region; a complex place not quite as idyllic as tourists suppose. A body has been found on the beach near to Matthew's new home: a man with the tattoo of an albatross on his neck, stabbed to death. Finding the killer is Venn's only focus, and his team's investigation will take him straight back into the community he left behind, and the deadly secrets that lurk there. The first in a new series from the author of the acclaimed Vera and Shetland series.
Mystery PBK \$17.99

TOM WILDE: HITLER'S SECRET

CLEMENTS, Rory
Tom Wilde's spy adventures begin with *Corpus* (PBK, \$19.99). Recommended!
Suspense TP \$29.99

THE BOY FROM THE WOODS

COBEN, Harlan
Thriller TP \$32.99

TUSCAN COOKING SCHOOL MYSTERIES 01:

AL DENTE'S INFERNO
COLE, Stephanie
When Nell Valenti is offered a chance to move to Tuscany to help transform an aging villa into a farm-to-table cooking school, she eagerly accepts. After all, both her job and her love life in America have been feeling stale. Plus, she'll get the chance to work under the acclaimed Italian Chef Claudio Orlandini. With only a day to go until the launch dinner for the cooking school, the villa is in shambles, and Chef O is blissfully oblivious of the work that needs to be done, before a group of local dignitaries arrive, along with a filmmaker sent to showcase and advertise the new school. The situation only worsens, when Nell discovers that the filmmaker is an ex-boyfriend; and he's found murdered, later that night... The first in a series.
Mystery PBK \$18.99

CHARLIE PARKER: A BOOK OF BONES

CONNOLLY, John
Thriller PBK \$19.99

THE HEART KEEPER

DAHL, Alex
Three months ago, Alison's world fell apart when her five-year-old daughter drowned at the local lake. Lost in grief, her husband and friends are unable to reach her. Across town, Iselin's life is about to change. Her seven-year-old daughter has survived a life-saving operation. After years of treading water, they can now start thinking about the future. These two mothers have never met. But their daughters will bring them together. And the consequences will be devastating...
Thriller PBK \$19.99

FREY & MCGRAY: THE DARKER ARTS

DE MURIEL, Oscar
Historical mystery PBK \$22.99

CATERING HALL MYSTERIES 01:

HERE COMES THE BODY
DIRICO, Maria
Mia is starting work at Belle View, her father's catering hall, a popular spot for weddings, office parties, and more – despite the planes that occasionally roar overhead on their way to LaGuardia and rattle the crystal chandelier. Soon, she's planning a bachelor party for a less-than-gentlemanly groom. But it goes awry when the gigantic cake is wheeled in, and a deadly surprise is revealed... The first in a series.
Mystery PBK \$18.99

MUSEUM MYSTERIES:

MURDER AT THE ASHMOLEAN
ELDRIDGE, Jim
This wonderful historical series begins with *Murder at the Fitzwilliam* (PBK, \$19.99). Recommended.
Historical mystery PBK \$19.99

THE TEMPLE HOUSE VANISHING

DONOHUE, Rachel
When Louisa arrives at Temple House, an elite catholic boarding school, she quickly finds herself drawn to sophisticated fellow pupil Victoria and their young bohemian art teacher, Mr Lavelle. The three of them form a bond that seems to offer an escape from the repressive regime of the nuns who run the cloistered school. Until Louisa and Mr Lavelle suddenly vanish. Years later, a journalist with a childhood connection to Louisa determines to resolve the mystery. Her search for the truth will uncover a tragic, mercurial tale of suppressed desire and long-buried secrets. It will shatter lives and lay a lost soul to rest.
Mystery TP \$27.99

HOPE STAPLEFORD: HOPE FOR THE INNOCENT

DUNFORD, Caroline
It is 1939 – World War II is looming, Oswald Mosley has awoken fascist sympathies among the British aristocracy and, in London, socialites are gathering for the start of the Season. Enter astute, Oxford graduate Hope Stapleford, whose quick wit, love of books and keen observations set her apart from her peers. Her rebellious friend, Bernadette, has persuaded her to take part in the Season, and Hope expects little more than a round of dull engagements and dreary introductions. But when an innocent, young debutante goes missing from their very first house party, feared to have been kidnapped or worse, Hope's curiosity is piqued... The first in a new series.
Historical mystery PBK \$22.99

SOPHIE KIMBALL MYSTERIES 06:

DRESSED UP 4 MURDER
EATON, J C
Mystery PBK \$18.99

SECOND LA QUARTET: THIS STORM

ELLROY, James
January, '42. LA reels behind the shock of Pearl Harbor. Local Japanese are rounded up and slammed behind bars. Massive thunderstorms hit the city. A body is unearthed, in Griffith Park. The cops tag it a routine dead-man job. They're wrong. It's an early-warning signal of Chaos. There's a murderous fire and a gold heist, exploding out of the past. There's Fifth Column treason – at this moment, on American soil. There are home-grown Nazis, commies, and race racketeers. There're two dead cops, in a dive off the jazz-club strip. And three men and one woman have a hot date with History. Elmer Jackson is a corrupt vice cop. He's a flesh peddler, and a bagman for the LA Chief of Police. Hideo Ashida is a crime-lab whiz, lashed by anti-Japanese rage. Dudley Smith is a PD hardnose working Army Intelligence. He's gone rogue, and all-the-way fascist. Joan Conville was born rogue. She's a defrocked

Navy lieutenant, and a war profiteer to her core. LA, '42. Homefront madness ascendant. Early-war-time inferno... The sequel to *Perfidia* (PBK, \$24.99).

Suspense PBK \$19.99

THE HOUSE ON THE LAKE

ELLWOOD, Nuala
Lisa needs to disappear. And her friend's rambling old home in the wilds of Yorkshire seems like the perfect place. It's miles away from the closest town, and no one there knows her or her little boy, Joe. But when Lisa meets some of the locals, and hears some disturbing rumours about the house, she realises it might not be the sanctuary she thought. What secret has Rowan Isle House – and her friend – kept hidden all these years? And what will Lisa have to do to survive, when her own past finally catches up with her?

Thriller PBK \$19.99

ALEXANDER BLIX: DEATH DESERVED

ENGER, Thomas & HORST, Jørn Lier
Oslo, 2018. Former long-distance runner Sonja Nordstrom never shows at the launch of her controversial autobiography, *Always Number One*. When celebrity blogger Emma Ramm visits Nordstrom's home, later that day, she finds the door unlocked and signs of a struggle inside. A bib with the number 'one' has been pinned to the TV. Police officer Alexander Blix is appointed to head up the missing person's investigation, but he still bears the emotional scars of a hostage situation nineteen years earlier, when he killed the father of a five-year-old girl. Traces of Nordstrom soon show up at different locations, but the appearance of the clues appear to be carefully calculated, evidence of a bigger picture that he's just not seeing... Blix and Ramm soon join forces, determined to find and stop a merciless killer with a flair for the dramatic, and thirst for attention. Trouble is, he's just got his first taste of it... The first in a co-written series.
Mystery PBK \$19.99

JAQ SILVER: THE CHEMICAL DETECTIVE

ERSKINE, Fiona
Dr Jaq Silver: skier, scientist, international jetsetter, explosives expert. She blows things up, to keep people safe. Working on avalanche control in Slovenia, Jaq stumbles across a problem with a consignment of explosives. After raising a complaint with the supplier, a multinational chemical company, her evidence disappears. Jaq is warned, threatened, accused of professional incompetence and suspended. When she takes her complaint further, she narrowly escapes death only to be framed for murder. Escaping from police custody, she sets out to find the key to the mystery. Racing between the snowy slopes of Slovenia and the ghostly ruins of Chernobyl, can she uncover the truth before her time runs out? The first in a series.
Thriller PBK \$19.99

FOX & O'HARE: THE BIG KAHUNA

EVANOVICH, Janet
Mystery PBK \$19.99

BENSON & DE VERE: FORCED CONFESSIONS

FAIRFAX, John
A sequel to the superb *Summary Justice* and *Blind Defence* (PBK, \$22.99 each).
Mystery TP \$32.99

THE GUEST LIST

FOLEY, Lucy
Thriller TP \$29.99

A FINE TAPESTRY OF MURDER

FRIEDMAN, Ann Marti
Paris, 1676. When a body washes up on the banks of the Bievre River, a young woman finds herself embroiled in an intricate murder case. At first, it seems mere coincidence that the dead man was discovered outside the Royal Manufactory of the Gobelins, home to a community of artists and craftsmen. He was not one of them, after all. But Anne-Marie, a sculptor's wife, soon realises that the victim may well be known within the walls of the Gobelins – and that the killer might be amongst them. With the police apparently disinterested, it is a mystery that is hers alone to solve...
Historical mystery PBK \$22.99

ROWLAND SINCLAIR:

A TESTAMENT OF CHARACTER
GENTILL, Sulari
The previous in the series, *All the Tears in China*, is now also available in paperback (\$22.99).
Historical mystery TP \$29.99

JULES & BUN MYSTERIES 02: WHO'S DEAD, DOC?

GRIFFIN, J M
Bun comes along as part of a petting pen, for a birthday celebration – but for one of the guests, the fun is soon over. Evelyn Montgomery is found lying in the bushes with a knife in her chest, and the distraught hostess begs Jules to help... To her surprise, so does Sheriff Jack Carver – who, usually, discourages Jules from getting involved in criminal investigations. But, now, she's drafted at the last minute to fill in for Evelyn as a judge at a rabbit show, and Jack wants her to go undercover.
Mystery PBK \$18.99

THIS LOVELY CITY

HARE, Louise
The drinks are flowing. The music is playing. But the party can't last. With the Blitz over and London reeling from war, jazz musician Lawrie Matthews has answered England's call for help. Fresh off the *Empire Windrush*, he's taken a tiny room in south London lodgings, and has fallen in love with the girl next door. Touring Soho's music halls by night, pacing the streets as a postman by day, Lawrie has poured his heart into his new home – and it's alive with possibility. Until, one morning, he makes a terrible discovery. As the local community rallies,

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PBK = 'A' & 'B' format (standard size) paperback

TP = 'B+' & 'C' format (oversize) paperback

HC = Hardcover or cloth binding

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fingers of blame are pointed at those who had recently been welcomed with open arms. And, before long, the newest arrivals become the prime suspects in a tragedy which threatens to tear the city apart.

Mystery TP \$32.99

WOLF OF WESSEX

HARFFY, Matthew
AD 838. Deep in the forests of Wessex, Dunston's solitary existence is shattered when he stumbles on a mutilated corpse. Accused of the murder, Dunston must clear his name and keep the dead man's daughter alive, in the face of savage pursuers desperate to prevent a terrible secret from being revealed. Rushing headlong through Wessex, Dunston will need to use all the skills of survival garnered from a lifetime in the wilderness.

Historical fiction TP \$29.99

STICK TOGETHER

HÉNAFF, Sophie
After their successful solving of three cold cases and exposing corruption at the very highest level of the Paris police force, Anne Capestan's squad of misfits and no-hopers should be in a celebratory mood. However, now despised by their colleagues at 36 *quai des Orfevres* and worried for their future, morale has never been lower among the members of the Awkward Squad. Capestan does her best to motivate her troops, but even she cannot maintain a cheerful façade when she has to investigate the murder of Commissaire Serge Rufus, the father of her ex-husband. Worse, it soon appears that his murder is linked to two other victims, both of whom were warned by the killer before they struck... A sequel to the much-recommended *Awkward Squad* (\$22.99, PBK) – one of Ron's faves.

Caper PBK \$22.99

SLOUGH HOUSE: THE CATCH (NOVELLA)

HERRON, Mick
Suspense HC \$22.99

WARS WITHIN: RAID 42

HURLEY, Graham
The next instalment of the Wars Within series, which begins with *Finisterre* (PBK, \$19.99).

Suspense PBK \$19.99

TAKES ONE TO KNOW ONE

ISAACS, Susan
Just a few years ago, Corie Geller was busting terrorists as an agent for the FBI. But at thirty-five, she traded in her badge for the stability of marriage and motherhood. Between cooking meals and playing chauffeur, Corie scouts Arabic fiction for a few literary agencies and, on Wednesdays, has lunch with her fellow Shorehaven freelancers at a so-so French restaurant. Life is, as they say, fine. But at her weekly lunches, Corie senses that something's off. Pete Delaney, a seemingly bland package designer, always shows up early, sits in the same spot (often with a different phone in hand) and keeps one eye glued to his car. Corie intuitively feels that Pete is hiding something – and as someone who is accustomed to keeping her FBI past from her new neighbours, she should know. But does Pete really have a shady alternate life, or is Corie just desperate to add some spark to her humdrum suburban existence? She decides that the only way to find out is to dust off her FBI toolkit and take a deep dive into Pete Delaney's affairs.

Mystery HC \$29.99

SACKWATER MYSTERIES:

BETTY CHURCH AND THE ROOM OF THE DEAD

KASASIAN, M R C
December, 1939. Having solved the case of the Suffolk Vampire, Inspector Betty Church and her colleagues at Sackwater Police Station have settled back down to business. There's the elderly Mr Fern who keeps losing his slippers, Sylvia Satin's thirteenth birthday party to attend and the scintillating case of the missing bookmark to solve. Though peace and quiet are all well and good, Betty soon finds herself longing for some cold-blooded murder... When a bomb is dropped on a residential street, both peace and quiet are broken and it seems the war has finally reached Sackwater. But Betty cannot stop the Hun, however hard she tries. So, when a body is found on Sackwater's beach, Betty concentrates on finding the enemy much closer to home. The sequel to the fantastic *Betty Church and the Suffolk Vampire* (PBK, \$19.99). Recommended.

Mystery PBK \$19.99

KEBAB KITCHEN MYSTERIES 04: ON THE LAMB

KASHIAN, Tina
Mystery PBK \$18.99

WHERE THE TRUTH LIES

KILMORE, Karina
When investigative journalist Chrissie O'Brian lands a senior job at *The Argus*, she is desperate to escape the nightmares of her past. Her life has become a daily battle to numb the pain. But her job is something she can do better than anyone else – and the only thing that keeps the memories at bay. A face-off on the waterfront between the unions and big business is just the kind of story to get her career back on track. But after a dockworker who confided in her turns up dead, Chrissie becomes obsessed with unravelling the truth. When a gruesome threat lands on her desk, it's clear someone is prepared to do anything to stop her. But who is more dangerous – a ruthless enemy, or a woman pushed to the edge? Used to fighting her own demons, this is one battle Chrissie is determined not to lose.

Mystery/suspense TP \$29.99

HELGA FINNSDOTTIR: COUNCIL

KRISTJANSSON, Snorri
After five years on the road, Helga has finally settled near King Eirik's court in Uppsala, where she's well regarded as a healer. She's even in a relationship, of sorts. But life is about to get a bit more exciting, for King Eirik has summoned all those who owe him fealty to the King's Council, and tempers are already flaring. The body of an unknown boy is found near the river, but with delegations from all over the country arriving and rumours of an imminent attack, there are more important things to attend to, than the death of a nobody... Only Helga suspects murder – until a second body makes it clear that someone is intent on breaking up the King's Council – and that a traitor walks among them... The sequel to *Kin* (PBK, \$19.99) which customers loved.

Historical mystery PBK \$22.99

THE OTHER MRS

KUBICA, Mary
Thriller TP \$29.99

HAP & LEONARD: THE ELEPHANT OF SURPRISE

LANDSDALE, Joe R
Noir PBK \$22.99

DEATH IN THE LADIES' GODDESS CLUB

LEATHERDALE, Julian
In the murky world of Kings Cross in 1932, aspiring crime writer Joan Linderman and her friend and flatmate Bernice Becker live the wild bohemian life, a carnival of parties and fancy-dress artists' balls. One Saturday night, Joan is thrown headfirst into a real crime when she finds Ellie, her neighbour, murdered. To prove her worth as a crime writer and bring Ellie's killer to justice, Joan secretly investigates the case in the footsteps of Sergeant Lillian Armfield. But as Joan digs deeper, her list of suspects grows from the luxury apartment blocks of Sydney's rich to the brothels and nightclubs of the Cross' underclass.

Noir TP \$29.99

STOP AT NOTHING

LEDWIDGE, Michael
Thriller TP \$32.99

COMMISSARIO BRUNETTI: TRACE ELEMENTS

LEON, Donna
Mystery TP \$32.99

PETER DIAMOND: KILLING WITH CONFETTI

LOVESEY, Peter
Also available by Peter Lovesey, this month, is the third of the Prince of Wales Mysteries reissues, *Bertie and the Crime of Passion* (TP, \$35.95).

Mystery PBK \$22.99

HILL & JORDAN: HOW THE DEAD SPEAK

MCDERMID, Val
Mystery PBK \$19.99

GATHERING EVIDENCE

MACINNES, Martin
With extinction imminent, researchers visit an exclusive national park to observe one of the last troops of bonobo chimpanzees. Amid unusual behaviour and unexplained deaths, Shel Murray suspects her team is being hunted. Back at home, Shel's partner is attacked touring their new property. Amnesiac and quarantined, John is visited by an inscrutable doctor, tending to the still fresh wounds. As his memory returns, John questions not only the assault, but the renewed marks on his body, and the black fungus now growing on the walls...

Mystery/suspense HC \$29.99

STRANGERS AT THE GATE

MCPHERSON, Catriona
Finnie Doyle and Paddy Lamb are leaving city life in Edinburgh behind them and moving to the little town of Simmerton. Paddy has landed a partnership in a local solicitors and Finnie's snagged a job as a church deacon. Their rented cottage is quaint; their new colleagues are charming, and they can't believe their luck. But witnessing the bloody aftermath of a brutal murder changes everything. They've each been keeping secrets about their pasts. And they both know their precious new start won't survive a scandal. Together, for the best of reasons, they make the worst decision of their lives. And that's only the beginning...

Thriller PBK \$22.99

CORMAC REILLY: THE GOOD TURN

MCTIERNAN, Dervla
The newest from the bestselling author of *The Ruin* and *The Scholar* (PBK, \$16.99 each). Recommended.

Mystery TP \$32.99

THE ROCK BLASTER

MANKELL, Henning
A reissue of Henning Mankell's first published novel.

Mystery (reissue) TP \$29.99

YOUR TURN, MR MOTO

MARQUAND, John P
American Mystery Classics TP \$33.95

THE WINKER

MARTIN, Andrew
London, 1976. In Belgravia in the heat of summer, Lee Jones, a faded and embittered rock star, is checking out a group of women through the heavy cigarette smoke in a crowded pub. He makes eye contact with one, and winks. After allowing glances to linger for a while longer, he finally moves towards her. In that moment, his programme of terror – years in the making – has begun. Months later, the first of the many chilling headlines to come appears: *'Police hunting winking killer.'* Meanwhile, in France... Charles Underhill, a wealthy Englishman living in Paris, has good reason to be interested in the activities of the so-called Winking Killer. With a past to hide and his future precarious, Charles is determined to discover the Winker's identity.

Caper PBK \$22.99

HURRICANE SEASON

MELCHOR, Fernanda
The Witch is dead. After a group of children playing in the murky waters of the irrigation canals discover her decomposing corpse, the village is rife with rumours and suspicions about the murder of this feared and respected woman, who had carried out the community's ritual shamanic customs. Inspired by a real event of the murder of a woman in rural Mexico, *Hurricane Season* takes place in a world filled with superstitions and violence – violence that poisons everything around.

Mystery TP \$29.99

LEONID MCGILL 06: TROUBLE IS WHAT I DO

MOSLEY, Walter
Mystery HC \$26.99

THE SECRETS OF STRANGERS

NORMAN, Charity
A regular weekday morning veers drastically off course, for a group of strangers whose paths cross in a London cafe – their lives never to be the same again, when an apparently crazed gunman holds them hostage. But there is more to the situation than first meets the eye and, as the captives grapple with their own inner demons, the line between right and wrong starts to blur. Will the secrets they keep stop them from escaping with their lives?

Thriller TP \$29.99

INSPECTOR MCLEAN: BURY THEM DEEP

OSWALD, James
Mystery TP \$32.99

FAITH FAIRCHILD MYSTERIES:

THE BODY IN THE WAKE

PAGE, Katherine Hall
Mystery PBK \$18.99

HARRY MCCOY:

BOBBY MARCH WILL LIVE FOREVER

PARKS, Alan
Noir TP \$29.99

DEAD TO HER

PINBOROUGH, Sarah
When Marcie met Jason Maddox, she couldn't believe her luck. Becoming Jason's second wife catapulted her into the elite world of high society. But underneath the polite, old money manners, she knows she'll always be an outsider, and her hard-won life hangs by a thread. Then Jason's widowed boss brings back a new wife from his trip to London. Young, beautiful, reckless – nobody can take their eyes off Keisha. Including Jason. Marcie refuses to be replaced, so easily. People would kill for her life of luxury. What will Marcie do to keep it?

Thriller TP \$29.99

AGENT PENDERGAST: CROOKED RIVER

PRESTON, Douglas & CHILD, Lincoln
Also available this month from Preston & Child is the first in their new Nora Kelly series, *Old Bones* (PBK, \$19.99).

Mystery TP \$29.99

EMMA DJAN INVESTIGATIONS:

THE MISSING AMERICAN

QUARTEY, Kwei
When her dreams of rising through the police ranks – like her late father – crash around her, 26-year-old Emma Djan is unsure what will become of her life, in Accra. Through a sympathetic former colleague, Emma gets an interview with a private detective agency – tracking down missing persons, thefts, and marital infidelities. It's not the future she imagined, but it's her best option. Meanwhile, Gordon Tilson, a middle-aged widower in Washington, DC, has found solace in an online community after his wife's passing. Through the support group, he's even met a young Ghanaian widow he really cares about, and when her sister gets into a car accident, he sends her thousands of dollars to cover the hospital bill – to the horror of his only son, Derek. When Gordon runs off to Ghana to surprise his new love and disappears, Derek chases after him, fearing for his father's life. The case of the missing American man will drag both Emma and Derek into a world of Sakawa scams, fetish priests, and those willing to keep things secret through death...

The first in a series.

Mystery/suspense TP \$29.99

THE SIAMESE TWIN MYSTERY

QUEEN, Ellery
American Mystery Classics TP \$24.95

LIBERTUS MYSTERY OF ROMAN BRITAIN:

A PRISONER OF PRIVILEGE

ROWE, Rosemary
Historical mystery TP \$29.95

WHEN THE DEAD COME CALLING

SEDGWICK, Helen
Mystery/suspense HC \$32.99

SCOTTISH BOOKSHOP MYSTERIES 04:

THE LOCH NESS PAPERS

SHELTON, Paige
Mystery PBK \$22.95

MAIGRET AND THE INFORMER

SIMENON, Georges
Maigret PBK \$16.99

DETECTIVE VARG:

THE DEPARTMENT OF SENSITIVE CRIMES

SMITH, Alexander McCall
This is a *Scandinavian Blanc* novel. *Scandinavian Blanc* is different from *Scandinavian Noir*: there is nothing *noir* about the world of UIF Varg, a detective in the Sensitive Crimes Department in the Swedish city of Malmo. UIF is concerned with very odd, but not too threatening crimes – injuries to the back of the knee, caused by an unknown hand; young women, who allow their desperation for a boyfriend to get the better of them; and peculiar goings-on in a spa, on Sweden's south coast... The first in a new series, from the wonderful Alexander McCall Smith.

Mystery PBK \$19.99

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