

# Pulp Fiction

## Crime & Mystery Bestsellers October 2020

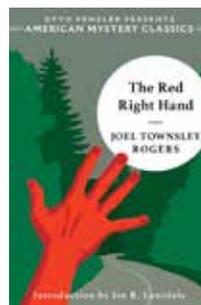
*The Red Right Hand* (American Mystery Classics)

**Joel Townsley Rogers**

Dr Harry Riddle's first problem was the whereabouts of the grotesque hitchhiker who had vanished after killing Innis St Erme. The second was what he did with St Erme's missing right hand. Riddle's investigation reaches into the very core of madness, but it takes one further, horrific turn when he himself becomes implicated in the serial killer's trail of murders.

Latest in the series of Otto Penzler presents American Mystery Classics – first published in 1945 – and, now, our bestselling mystery novel in 2020! (who'd have thunk?)

Classic mystery | TP | \$26.95



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*Owl Be Home for Christmas* (Meg Langslow mysteries 26)

**Donna Andrews**

While trapped by a snowstorm at a conference, a visiting ornithologist is murdered. Now, nobody may make it home, in time for Christmas... unless Meg comes to the rescue... Latest in the long-running cosy series – she's funny!

Mystery | PBK | \$24.95



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*The Sicilian Method* (Inspector Montalbano 26)

**Andrea Camilleri**

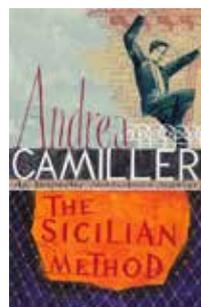
Mimi Augello is visiting his lover, when the woman's husband unexpectedly returns to the apartment; he climbs out the window and into the downstairs apartment, but one danger leads to another. In the dark he sees a body lying on the bed. Shortly after, another body is found, and the victim is Carmelo Catalanotti, a director of bourgeois dramas with a harsh reputation for the acting method he developed for his actors.

Are the two deaths connected? Catalanotti scrupulously kept notes and comments on all the actors he worked with, as well as strange notebooks full of figures and dates and names. Inspector Montalbano finds all of Catalanotti's dossiers and plays, the notes on the characters, and the notes on his last drama, *Dangerous Turn* – the theatre is where he'll find the answer.

We can't actually fly to Italy, right now – but no one can stop us armchair travelling... and you know you want to! Great fun!

The first is *The Shape of Water* (PBK, \$18.99).

Mystery | TP | \$32.99



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## *The Christmas Egg* (British Library Crime Classics)

Mary Kelly

London. 22nd December. Chief Inspector Brett Nightingale and Sergeant Beddoes have been called to a gloomy flat off Islington High Street. An elderly woman lies dead on the bed, and her trunk has been looted. The woman is Princess Olga Karukhin – an émigré of Civil War Russia – and her trunk is missing its glittering treasure...

Out in the dizzying neon and festive chaos of the capital a colourful cast of suspects abound: the downtrodden grandson, a plutocratic jeweller, Bolsheviks with unfinished business? Beddoes and Nightingale have their work cut out in this tightly-paced, quirky, and highly-enjoyable jewel of the mystery genre.

First published in 1958 – and thanks to the British Library – back in print, once more. Armchair detection. Armchair travel. Armchair time travel. Wonderful. We are there!

Classic mystery | TP | \$33.95



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## *Fear on the Phantom Special* (Inspector Colbeck 17)

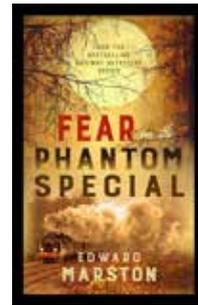
Edward Marston

Halloween, 1861. A special train with two carriages steams across the Lake District at night on its way to a place notorious for its record of supernatural incidents. Most of those on board have been fortified by alcohol so the mood is boisterous. Without warning the lamp goes out in the last compartment of the second carriage, plunging it into darkness. When the train reaches the end of the line, the passengers pour out on to the station platform. There are almost sixty of them in all, laughing and jostling, but the prevailing excitement is shattered by a cry for help – someone is missing.

Inspector Colbeck and Sergeant Leeming are called in to investigate this peculiar occurrence. With some believing the missing man is the victim of a ghost said to haunt the site and no discernible trace of the man anywhere to be seen, this will prove to be a puzzling case indeed for the Railway Detective.

(Can I just say that steam travel does sound so romantic, now? – but it must've been very dirty... and just see how much fun it is, when a glowing ember lands in one's eye! Just saying.)

Historical mystery | PBK | \$19.99



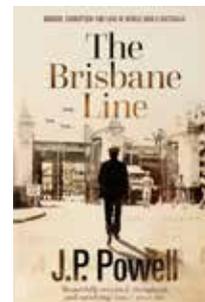
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## *The Brisbane Line*

J P Powell

An engrossing murder mystery, set in seedy WWII Brisbane – by local historian and archaeologist, J P Powell. Selling lots – and those who've read it are impressed! Recommended!

Mystery | TP | \$29.99



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## *A Song For the Dark Times* (Rebus 23)

Ian Rankin

*He's gone...*

When his daughter Samantha calls in the dead of night, John Rebus knows it's not good news. Her husband has been missing for two days. Rebus fears the worst – and knows from his lifetime in the police that his daughter will be the prime suspect. He wasn't the best father – the job always came first – but now his daughter needs him more than ever. But is he going as a father or a detective? As he leaves at dawn to drive to the windswept coast – and a small town with big secrets – he wonders whether this might be the first time in his life where the truth is the one thing he doesn't want to find...

Latest in the bestselling police procedural series.

Mystery | TP | \$32.99



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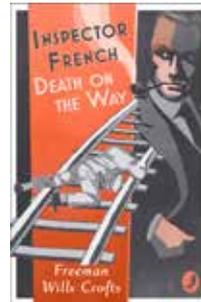
## *Death on the Way* (Inspector French 09) (Collins Crime Club)

Freeman Wills Crofts

Work on the widening of the Southern Railway's south coast route results in two mysterious deaths. Murder becomes apparent. As evidence is sifted through and minute detail and data analysed, tension mounts right up to the dramatic climax in this gripping thriller from one of Britain's greatest crime authors. Another riveting crime novel from the author of *The Cask* and *Crime at Guildford*.

More time travel. Has there ever been a better year to escape into the past with Golden Age reissues?

Classic mystery | PBK | \$22.99



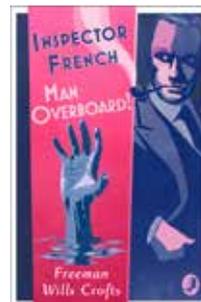
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## *Man Overboard* (Inspector French 15) (Collins Crime Club)

Freeman Wills Crofts

First published in 1932. In the course of a ship's passage from Belfast to Liverpool a man disappears. His body is picked up by Irish fishermen. Although the coroner's verdict is suicide, murder is suspected. Inspector French co-operates with Superintendent Rainey and Sergeant McClung, once more, to determine the truth.

Classic mystery | PBK | \$22.99



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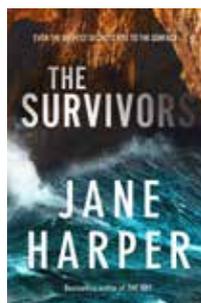
## *The Survivors*

Jane Harper

Kieran Elliott's life changed forever on the day a reckless mistake led to devastating consequences. The guilt that still haunts him resurfaces during a visit with his young family to the small coastal community he once called home. Kieran's parents are struggling in a town where fortunes are forged by the sea. Between them all is his absent brother, Finn. When a body is discovered on the beach, long-held secrets threaten to emerge. A sunken wreck, a missing girl, and questions that have never washed away...

From the Australian international bestseller of *The Dry* (PBK, \$16.99) – recommended!

Mystery/suspense | TP | \$32.99



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