

The Railway Man A Dci Blizzard Murder Mystery

The unveiling of a new memorial stirs deep emotions in a remote North Pennines village as the people honour their war dead. However, pride is in short supply at the ceremony as over and deep-rooted tensions are brought to the surface. That night, the memorial is vandalized and an elderly war veteran is murdered, apparently by thieves after his Victoria Cross incidents connected? When Detective Chief Inspector Jack Harris is called in to investigate, he and his team discover a world of secrets and a criminal conspiracy that stretches across the globe. As the detectives start to make sense of events, they realize that they are investigating more than two crimes and end up asking the question, 'What price honour?' Laurence Deegan, QC, had just won his latest case. At fifty, already a distinguished and famous barrister, he seemed set to become a judge at an early age. A few hours later Deegan's bath installed in his Chambers, got into it and slit the veins in both wrists. Why had he done it? His son, a Special Branch police officer, takes it upon himself to find out ... 'Underworld: How to write a bad book if he tried' Oxford Mail

Detective Superintendent Peter Diamond is confronted with a crime that hits too close to home.

To Honour the Dead

The Board of Trade Journal

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The Latch Man

Someone from Detective Inspector John Steadman's past hated or feared him enough to hire professional killers to murder him and his wife. The hit was carried out with ruthless efficiency, except for one detail. The bullet that smashed into Steadman's skull left him blind, but still alive - and still equipped with one of the finest minds in the force. As Steadman learns to live with the loss of his sight, his fearless pursuit of the criminal fraternity continues unabated. But to achieve his ultimate goal - to bring to justice the man who robbed him of his vision and his wife - he has nothing to go on except a chilling series of nightmares and a voice; a voice he feels sure he has heard somewhere before.

By Canada's premier, bestselling crime fiction writer, the twenty-first book in the much-loved Inspector Banks series, now a television series on PBS, for readers of Ian Rankin and Michael Connelly. A disgraced college lecturer is found murdered with £5,000 in his pocket on a disused railway line near his home. Since being dismissed from his job for sexual misconduct four years previously, he has been living a poverty-stricken and hermit-like existence in this isolated spot. There are many suspects, mostly at the college where he used to teach, but Banks, much to the chagrin of Detective Chief Superintendent Gervaise, soon becomes fixated on Lady Veronica Chalmers, who appears to have links with the victim going back to the early '70s at the University of Essex, then a hotbed of political activism. When Banks suspects that Lady Chalmers is not telling him the whole truth and pushes his inquiries a bit too far, he is brought on the carpet and warned to lay off. He must continue to conduct his investigation surreptitiously, under the radar, with the help of new DC Geraldine Masterson, while DI Annie Cabbot and DS Winsome Jackman continue to rattle skeletons at Eastvale College. When the breakthroughs come, they are not the ones that Banks and his team expected, and everything turns in a different direction, and moves into higher gear.

Reluctantly embroiled in what seems to be a routine burglary, Detective Chief Inspector John Blizzard is intrigued when he is confronted by a name from the past. However, intrigue is rapidly replaced by consternation when burglary turns to murder, and Blizzard faces a race against time to prevent the killer from striking again. As fear grips the villages near the northern city of Hafton, Blizzard and his loyal sidekick, Detective Sergeant David Colley, are plunged into a world where past meets present and no one is quite what they seem. Can they solve the mystery before too many others pay with their lives to keep a secret?

A Flicker in the Night

The Railway News ...

Diamond Dust

A Pound Of Flesh

The Official Guide of the Railways and Steam Navigation Lines of the United States, Porto Rico, Canada, Mexico and Cuba

Britain gave railways to the world, yet its own network is the dearest (definitely) and the worst (probably) in Western Europe. Trains are deeply embedded in the national psyche and folklore - yet it is considered uncool to care about them. For Matthew Engel the railway system is the ultimate expression of Britishness. It represents all the nation's ingenuity, incompetence, nostalgia, corruption, humour, capacity for suffering and even sexual repression. To uncover its mysteries, Engel has travelled the system from Penzance to Thurso, exploring its history and talking to people from politicians to platform staff. Along the way Engel ('half-John Betjeman, half-Victor Meldrew') finds the most charmingly bizarre train in Britain, the most beautiful branch line, the rudest railwayman, and - after a quest lasting decades - an Individual Pot of Strawberry Jam. *Eleven Minutes Late* is both a polemic and a paean, and it is also very funny.

In the depths of a freezing winter, Glasgow finds itself at the mercy of not one, but two serial killers. This is Detective Inspector Lorimer's worst nightmare and beyond anything he's faced in his years on the force. Can he find a link between the brutal slaying of prostitutes in the back streets of the city and the methodical killing of several unconnected businessmen? When the latest victim turns out to be a prominent Scottish politician, the media's spotlight is shone on Lorimer's investigation. Psychologist and criminal profiler Solly Brightman is called in to help solve the cases, but his help may be futile as they realise that someone on the inside is leaking confidential police information. Meanwhile two killers haunt the snowy streets and Lorimer must act fast, before they strike again... Evoking the gritty truth of Glasgow like no other writer, Alex Gray has created in Lorimer the most dynamic Scottish detective since Rebus.

When 16 skeletons are unearthed near an old prisoner-of-war camp outside the northern city of Hafton, it seems like a simple case for Detective Chief Inspector John Blizzard. With all indicators pointing to natural deaths from influenza during the First World War, there seems little to concern modern-day detectives.

Midnight in Peking

A Gripping British Murder Mystery with Detective John Blizzard

The Hanging Valley (An Inspector Banks Mystery)

Strange Little Girl

The Yale Courant

Eminent nuclear scientist Professor Wells boards the rear carriage of the Romsey, Heath and Little Church miniature railway en route to a meeting at the nearby nuclear power station, but fails to arrive. His reception party wastes no time in informing the security forces and a national security alert ensues. Foreign powers are all potential suspects, along with the Professor himself as possibly revealing top secret plans for a new processor. But could the truth be a little closer to home?

Winner of the both the Edgar Award for Best Fact Crime and the CWA Non-Fiction Dagger from the author of City of Devils Chronicling an incredible unsolved murder, Midnight in Peking captures the aftermath of the brutal killing of a British schoolgirl in January 1937. The mutilated body of Pamela Werner was found at the base of the Fox Tower, which, according to local superstition, is home to the maliciously seductive fox spirits. As British detective Dennis and Chinese detective Han investigate, the mystery only deepens and, in a city on the verge of invasion, rumor and superstition run rampant. Based on seven years of research by historian and China expert Paul French, this true-crime thriller presents readers with a rare and unique portrait of the last days of colonial Peking.

Spring 1915. Eight months after foiling a plot to delay the embarkation of France-bound British troops, and reluctantly arresting his lover's brother for being involved, Jack McColl is stationed in India, charged with defending the Empire against Bengali terrorists and their German allies. Belgium, he finds, is not the only country seeking to expel an invader. In England, meanwhile, Colm Hanley is executed, and his sister Caitlin Hanley begins the business of rebuilding her life. The war is changing everything, and giving fresh impulse to those causes—feminism, socialism and Irish independence—which she as a journalist has long supported. The threat of a Rising in Dublin alarms McColl's bosses as much as it dazzles Caitlin. It was one Irish plot which came between Jack and Caitlin in 1914, and it will take another to bring them back together, as both enemies and lovers.

Children of the Revolution

A History of Textiles and Fashion in the Twentieth Century Yoruba World

The Railroad Telegrapher

American Lumberman

A Clear Case of Suicide

When an old man dies in an arson attack, it's left to Detective Chief Inspector John Blizzard to investigate. But his inquiry becomes more complicated when several other old men perish in similar blazes. As Blizzard searches for answers, the shadow of a persistent arsonist who terrorized the city 20 years before hangs over him. The attacks have all the hallmarks of Reginald Marsh, now locked away in a mental hospital for his crimes. Are the police dealing with a copycat killer, or is Marsh, in some inexplicable way, returning to the city? For Blizzard to crack the case, he will have to reveal a dark and deadly secret.

From the local to the global, Yoruba people cherish textile consumption and fashion in everyday life. Central to this is the role of Yoruba women in the making of a fashion culture. As this book shows, textile commodities are entangled in global economic histories, yet the local consumption culture has created a fashion industry that portrays new ways of work and talent display beyond the twentieth century. This text is useful for researchers who wish to gain deeper insights into a critical, but often neglected, aspect of being Yoruba.

When a faceless body is found in a tranquil valley just south of the village of Swainshead, Chief Inspector Alan Banks soon finds that no one in the village is willing to talk about it, except to say, "Not again." An unsolved murder from five years before and the unsolved disappearance of a prominent local man's girlfriend appear to be connected. As Banks delves deeper into the mystery, someone begins to intentionally slow down the investigation. When events take a turn, Inspector Banks must track his killer across the Atlantic and find a way to make a break in the case before time runs out. Fourth in the critically acclaimed Inspector Banks Mystery Series.

A DCI John Blizzard Murder Mystery

The Railway Man

Godless Creatures

Points of Danger

Digital Investigations

Few tears are shed when an ex-boxer and local hard man is found dead in a disused railway signal box. When DCI John Blizzard is called in to investigate, he discovers no shortage of people who would want the bully dead. But getting any of them to come forward proves difficult. Having interrupted the opening day of the public display of a steam engine that DCI Blizzard lovingly helped restore, few are keener than he to see the perpetrator under lock and key. It transpires that the victim once gave a man life-changing injuries with a cruel sucker punch, thus Blizzard's colleagues think they've found a likely suspect. But the veteran detective is not so sure. In fact, the real culprits might be much closer to home. Probing deeper into the web of lies that surrounded the man's life, Blizzard might have to confront unpalatable truths that shatter his nostalgic view of the city's past. Set in the fictional port city of Hafton in northern England, THE RAILWAY MAN is a traditional British whodunit with a thrilling contemporary twist. The novel is the third title by John Dean to feature the burly, no-nonsense detective, John Blizzard, a man who refuses to take no for an answer. The full list of books is as follows: 1. THE LONG DEAD 2. STRANGE LITTLE GIRL 3. THE RAILWAY MAN 4. THE SECRETS MAN These books are standalones and can be enjoyed on their own, or a series. They are available on Kindle and in paperback, and are free on Kindle Unlimited. John Dean is the author of several other crime fiction titles. Look out for his DCI Jack Harris novels, and those featuring detective Danny Radford, which he writes under the pen name John Stanley.

1861, East Anglia. Alone in a first-class carriage, the Swarbricks are robbed at gunpoint, but when the universally-admired Swarbrick fights back, the train robber takes more than money and jewellery, killing the man working to unify East Anglia's tangle of railway networks. Inspector Colbeck is brought in from London, as the only detective in Britain with enough expertise for the job. But as Swarbrick's glowing reputation begins to crumble, the line of investigation isn't clear: Is this the act of a bungling burglar, a business rival, a disgruntled son, or a jealous lover? Whoever it is, they are determined to involve Colbeck in their fight. Is the Railway Detective following the right track or will he need to switch points to bring the murderer to justice?

An unmarked grave, an old promise and a maverick detective... When an archaeological investigation of an old prisoner of war camp turns up several bodies in unmarked graves, it should be an open and shut case for DCI John Blizzard. But, on a foggy November morning, his instinct that something is not quite right is confirmed when forensics show that while most of the victims died during a flu epidemic after the Second World War, one of the deaths was far more recent. Who is this man? Why was he killed? As Blizzard and his team investigate, they begin to uncover a cruel crime, and a promise of revenge that goes back generations. Worse, the killer is at large and now motivated to strike again. Can Blizzard piece together the puzzle and let old wounds finally heal? Set in the fictional port of Hafton in northern England, THE LONG DEAD is a contemporary British whodunnit. If you are a reader who likes having to guess the identity of the murderer, you'll enjoy picking up on the various clues. With snappy dialogue and convincing characters, this is a page turner that the whole family will appreciate. THE LONG DEAD is the first in a series of novels featuring detective John Blizzard and his team. It is followed by STRANGE LITTLE GIRL, THE RAILWAY MAN and THE SECRETS MAN. Also look out for the author John Dean's other murder mystery series set in the Pennines, featuring detective Jack Harris and comprising: DEAD HILL, THE VIXEN'S SCREAM and TO DIE ALONE. All of these books are available on Kindle and in paperback.

The Railway Gazette

A Train Journey to the Soul of Britain

A DCI Blizzard Murder Mystery

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Electric Railway Review

A desecrated grave, an unforgotten crime, and a no-nonsense detective on the case When detective John Blizzard is called to Hafton city cemetery to inspect a recently desecrated grave, he quickly suspects it is something to do with a girl who went missing years before. The grave belongs to the victims of an unsolved murder case, involving members of the family to which the girl belonged. DCI Blizzard is sure that the father was the culprit but previous attempts to bring him to justice had failed. Now a wealthy businessman, Blizzard is still determined to put him under lock and key. Spurred by the recent events, he convinces his divisional commander that the case be reopened. But Blizzard gets more than he bargained for when police probing brings a genuinely feared villain back to the area - a gangster who has always evaded the law and is ready to use any means necessary to do his dirty work. When a new murder is committed, the pressure is on to solve the case. But something is being hidden from the detectives and the clues point to a sinister crime ring that will do anything to evade capture and protect its interests. STRANGE LITTLE GIRL is the second book in the DCI John Blizzard crime series. Also look out for THE LONG DEAD, the first to be published, and the third and fourth: THE RAILWAY MAN and THE SECRETS MAN. The books are standalones and can be read in any order or enjoyed on their own. All these books are free on Kindle Unlimited. If you are looking for your next murder mystery series, look no further than these books. Set in the fictional city of Hafton in northern England, they are well-crafted novels with realistic characters and a detective who won't take no for an answer.

Three years have passed and life has slowly returned to normal in the aftermath of the tragic events at Sablefall Farm. Elaine and Harper continue to exact their brutal vengeance against those responsible for the crimes against them. Investigative journalist Lenny Grey is hired to track down the man who murdered Elaine's son eight years earlier, and when a detective friend reaches out following the discovery of two dead boys, they suspect they're looking for the same killer. It soon becomes apparent they are dealing with something far more sinister than imagined. With another young boy missing and events taking a dark turn, Elaine, Harper, Lenny and Tom form an unlikely alliance to stop the depraved child killer.

It should have been a straightforward case. In the early hours of the morning a body is found in the passenger seat of a car. It is quickly identified, and all that troubled DCI Paul Catchpole was his lack of sleep. Then the connections are made. It's a gang killing and the gang's boss, the charismatic Maran Avdoniy, is Ukrainian, a gun runner, a trafficker and trader in women across Europe and the UAE. If catching him wasn't already complicated someone is already hunting Avdoniy. Robbie Noakes of MI6, has built his career harassing Avdoniy, and he is determined to drive the case and Catchpole's agenda. In a fast-paced thriller Catchpole chases his man from London to the Ukraine and then Dubai all the time hating being at the behest of MI6. His job is solving murders in London and putting criminals behind bars and not building Noakes' career.

How the Murder of a Young Englishwoman Haunted the Last Days of Old China

They Took His Wife, His Sight And Very Nearly His Sanity – But They Could Not Take Away His Courage

The Railway Age

Proceedings of the Parliament of South Australia, with Copies of Documents Ordered to be Printed

A Breach of Trust

When the police receive reports of a ghostly figure appearing at the dead of night in a local graveyard, Detective Chief Inspector John Blizzard cannot take the matter seriously. But the smile fades from his face when the figure commits its first murder, brutally dashing the brains from a local drug dealer. Realizing that the unearthly apparition is very much human, Blizzard and his team of detectives find themselves conducting investigations in one of the city's most affluent suburbs. And what they find behind the respectable facade is a world of seething feuds, deep-rooted fears, and plenty of people with a motive to kill.

Three years after the supposed death of prolific serial killer Billy Woods, a spate of identical murders occur in Cleveland. A couple, after island hopping in Greece, claim they saw Billy on Anafi. Is there a copycat killer or could Billy possibly be still alive? Ruth Vickers, now a uniformed police officer after her demotion, becomes involved once more with tracking down the monster. She is unaware that due to her unnatural fixation with Woods, she is slowly losing her mind. A terrifying sequel, even more frightening than the original. A fast moving psychological thriller that will mesmerise you! Not for the squeamish!

A corrupt wealthy industrialist is found dead. When his family shed crocodile tears, DCI Blizzard turns the screw. The closure of the Smarts factory in a northern industrial city put many people out of work. Nothing was ever proven, but suspicions of serious financial corruption were rife. So when the aged owner is found dead in his home, DCI John Blizzard seizes the opportunity to investigate further. When natural causes are ruled out and a murder

inquiry is opened, Dennis Smart's family are the obvious suspects. Yet each has an alibi, and when the net is widened, any number of the former factory employees might have sufficient motive. The subsequent investigation centres on a small group of left-wing dropouts who are locals in a backstreet pub. Will Detective Chief Inspector Blizzard ferret them out? And will he collar them for the crime? Or is he being led up the garden path whilst the real killer gets off scot free? A Breach of Trust is a page-turner full of twists that will keep you guessing until the very end. You can enjoy A Breach of Trust as a standalone but it will make you want to read the other books in the series, which are (in order of publication). 1. THE LONG DEAD 2. STRANGE LITTLE GIRL 3. THE RAILWAY MAN 4. THE SECRETS MAN All of which are available free with Kindle unlimited, and in paperback. If you enjoy novels by Peter James, Val McDermid and Ian Rankin, or classic detective fiction by Agatha Christie and GK Chesterton, you'll love these books.

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The Mystery on the Miniature Railway

Blind Pursuit

Book Two

The Railway and Commercial Gazetteer of England, Scotland, and Wales