

Secrets And Siblings The Vanished Lives Of China

YEAH, REVIEWING A BOOK **SECRETS AND SIBLINGS THE VANISHED LIVES OF CHINA** COULD BE CREDITED WITH YOUR CLOSE CONNECTIONS LISTINGS. THIS IS JUST ONE OF THE SOLUTIONS FOR YOU TO BE SUCCESSFUL. AS UNDERSTOOD, CAPABILITY DOES NOT SUGGEST THAT YOU HAVE ASTOUNDING POINTS.

COMPREHENDING AS SKILLFULLY AS BARGAIN EVEN MORE THAN FURTHER WILL PRESENT EACH SUCCESS. BORDERING TO, THE BROADCAST AS WITH EASE AS SHARPNESS OF THIS SECRETS AND SIBLINGS THE VANISHED LIVES OF CHINA CAN BE TAKEN AS WITHOUT DIFFICULTY AS PICKED TO ACT.

SUMMARY OF THE VANISHING HALF ALEXANDER COOPER 2021-03-26 SUMMARY OF THE VANISHING HALF THE VANISHING HALF, PUBLISHED IN JUNE 2020, IS THE SECOND NOVEL BY AUTHOR BRIT BENNETT. IT BECAME A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER AND WAS SELECTED AS A GOOD MORNING AMERICA BOOK CLUB PICK. THE NOVEL EXPLORES THE THEMES OF FEMALE FAMILY BONDS AND THE BLACK EXPERIENCE IN AMERICA. BENNETT COVERED SIMILAR MATERIAL IN HER DEBUT NOVEL, *THE MOTHERS* (2016), WHICH ALSO BECAME A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER. HBO HAS PURCHASED THE FILM RIGHTS TO *THE VANISHING HALF* WITH THE INTENTION OF CREATING A LIMITED TV SERIES FROM THE MATERIAL. PAGE NUMBER CITATIONS IN THIS GUIDE REFER TO THE KINDLE EDITION. THE NOVEL IS SET IN SEVERAL LOCATIONS DURING DIFFERENT TIME PERIODS. THE STORY BEGINS IN THE SMALL VILLAGE OF MALLARD, LOUISIANA, IN 1968 AND THEN SKIPS TO NEW ORLEANS, NEW YORK, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND BACK TO MALLARD BETWEEN 1978 AND THE EARLY 1980s. JUST AS THE TIME AND LOCATION SHIFT AMONG NUMEROUS PLACES AND DECADES, THE LIMITED THIRD-PERSON NARRATIVE POINT OF VIEW SHIFTS AMONG MULTIPLE PEOPLE. SINCE THE NOVEL IS DRIVEN BY THE PERCEPTIONS AND RECOLLECTIONS OF ITS CHARACTERS, THE STORY DOES NOT MOVE IN A LINEAR FASHION. THE PLOT CONCERNS IDENTICAL TWINS DESIREE AND STELLA VIGNES, WHO LEAVE THEIR SMALL LOUISIANA VILLAGE AT THE AGE OF 16 TO SEEK THEIR FORTUNE IN NEW ORLEANS. TEN YEARS LATER, THEIR LIVES HAVE DIVERGED IN RADICALLY DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS. DESIREE HAS FLED AN ABUSIVE MARRIAGE TO A BLACK MAN AND BROUGHT HER DAUGHTER BACK TO MALLARD, WHILE STELLA IS PASSING FOR WHITE, IS MARRIED TO A BUSINESSMAN, HAS A DAUGHTER WITH HIM, AND LIVES IN CALIFORNIA. MUCH OF THE NOVEL RECOUNTS DESIREE'S SEARCH FOR HER MISSING TWIN AND HOW THAT SEARCH IS COMPLETED BY DESIREE'S DAUGHTER. IN THE PROCESS, THE BOOK EXPLORES THE THEMES OF HOW IDENTITY IS CONSTRUCTED, THE ROLE THAT SELF-LOATHING PLAYS IN CREATING AN ALTERNATE PERSONA, AND THE SOCIAL OSTRACISM VISITED ON THOSE WHO ARE DIFFERENT FROM THE NORM IN SOME WAY. HERE IS A PREVIEW OF WHAT YOU WILL GET: A FULL BOOK SUMMARY AN ANALYSIS FUN QUIZZES QUIZ ANSWERS ETC GET A COPY OF THIS SUMMARY AND LEARN ABOUT THE BOOK.

LAKE OF SECRETS LAEL LITCKE 2002-05-01 CAN CARLENE REALLY BE REMEMBERING THINGS FROM A PAST LIFE? STRANGE, FRAGMENTED MEMORIES HAVE BEEN HAUNTING CARLENE SINCE SHE AND HER MOTHER CAME TO LAKE ISADORA. THE VIVID RECOLLECTIONS DON'T SEEM TO RELATE TO ANYTHING IN CARLENE'S OWN PAST. UNTIL NOW, SHE HADN'T EVEN SEEN THE PLACE WHERE KEITH, THE BROTHER SHE NEVER KNEW, DISAPPEARED DURING A STORM FIFTEEN YEARS AGO. SOME THINK HE DROWNED, BUT HIS MOTHER THINKS HE WAS KIDNAPPED AND IS STILL ALIVE SOMEWHERE. SHE IS SURE THE LITTLE BOY'S CLOTHES THAT HAVE JUST BEEN FOUND NEAR THE LAKE BELONGED TO HER SON. CARLENE KNOWS THAT HER BIZARRE MEMORIES HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH KEITH. THEY MIGHT EVEN HELP HER DISCOVER THE TRUTH ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED THE DAY HE DISAPPEARED. BUT SHE CAN'T POSSIBLY BE REMEMBERING THINGS THAT HAPPENED BEFORE SHE WAS BORN—UNLESS THE MEMORIES ARE FROM A PAST LIFE.

THE VANISHED BIRDS SIMON JIMENEZ 2020-01-14 A “HIGHLY IMAGINATIVE AND UTTERLY EXHILARATING” (THRILLIST) DEBUT THAT IS “THE BEST OF WHAT SCIENCE FICTION CAN BE: A THOUGHT-PROVOKING, HEARTRENDING STORY ABOUT THE CHOICES THAT DEFINE OUR LIVES” (KIRKUS REVIEWS, BEST DEBUT FICTION AND BEST SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY OF THE YEAR). FINALIST FOR THE LOCUS AWARD • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY TORDOTCOM AND KIRKUS REVIEWS A MYSTERIOUS CHILD LANDS IN THE CARE OF A SOLITARY WOMAN, CHANGING BOTH OF THEIR LIVES FOREVER. I EXPECTED MANY THINGS FROM THIS TRIP. I DID NOT EXPECT A FAMILY. A SHIP CAPTAIN, UNFETTERED FROM TIME. A MUTE CHILD, BURDENED WITH UNIMAGINABLE POWER. A MILLENNIA-OLD WOMAN, HAUNTED BY LIFETIMES OF MISTAKES. IN THIS CAPTIVATING DEBUT OF CONNECTION ACROSS SPACE AND TIME, THESE OUTSIDERS WILL FIND IN EACH OTHER THE THINGS THEY LACK: A PLACE OF LOVE AND BELONGING. A SAFE HAVEN. A NEW BEGINNING. BUT THE PAST HUNGERS FOR THEM, AND WHEN IT CATCHES UP, IT THREATENS TO TEAR THIS MAKESHIFT FAMILY APART. PRAISE FOR *THE VANISHED BIRDS* “THIS IS THE MOST IMPRESSIVE DEBUT OF 2020.”—LOCUS “THIS

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EXTRAORDINARY SCIENCE FICTION EPIC, WHICH DELVES DEEP INTO THE PERILS OF FAILING TO LEARN FROM ONE'S MISTAKES, IS PERFECT FOR FANS OF BIG IDEAS AND INTIMATE REFLECTIONS."—PUBLISHERS WEEKLY (STARRED REVIEW) "A LYRICAL AND MOVING NARRATIVE OF SPACE TRAVEL, FOUND FAMILIES, AND LOST LOVES SET AGAINST AN EVOCATIVE SPACE-OPERA BACKGROUND."—BOOKLIST (STARRED REVIEW) "THE VANISHED BIRDS FINDS AN INTIMATE HEARTBEAT OF LONGING IN A SAGA OF GALACTIC PROGRESS AND ITS CRUSHING FALLOUT. . . . A NOVEL OF VAST SCOPE THAT YET MAKES TIME FOR COMPASSION, WONDER, AND POETRY."—INDRA DAS, AUTHOR OF THE DEVOURERS

GREYSTONE SECRETS #2: THE DECEIVERS MARGARET PETERSON HADDIX 2020-04-07 THE SECOND BOOK IN THE GREYSTONE SECRETS SERIES FROM THE MASTER OF PLOT TWISTS, MARGARET PETERSON HADDIX—PERFECT FOR FANS OF A WRINKLE IN TIME AND THE CITY OF EMBER! UNTIL THEIR MOTHER VANISHED, THE GREYSTONE KIDS—CHESS, EMMA, AND FINN—KNEW NOTHING ABOUT THE OTHER WORLD. EVERYTHING IS DIFFERENT THERE. IT'S A MIRROR IMAGE, EXCEPT THINGS ARE WRONG. EVIL. THEIR MOTHER TRIED TO FIX IT, BUT SHE AND AN ALLY GOT TRAPPED THERE ALONG WITH MS. MORALES, THEIR FRIEND NATALIE'S MOM. NOW THE FOUR KIDS—BRAVE CHESS, SMART EMMA, KIND FINN, AND SAVVY NATALIE—ARE DETERMINED TO RESCUE EVERYONE. TO DO SO, THEY HAVE TO GO BACK: INTO THE OTHER WORLD, WHERE EVEN TELLING THE TRUTH CAN BE ILLEGAL. BUT IN SUCH A TERRIFYING PLACE, CHESS DOUBTS HE CAN EVER BE BRAVE ENOUGH. DESPITE ALL HER BRAINS, EMMA CAN'T SEEM TO BREAK THE CODE. WITH EVERYTHING SPIRALING OUT OF CONTROL, FINN HAS TO PRETEND HE'S OKAY. AND FOR NATALIE, THE LIES OF THE OTHER WORLD INCLUDE SOME SHE WISHES WERE ACTUALLY TRUE. WHAT IF SHE'S GOTTEN SO USED TO LYING SHE NO LONGER KNOWS WHAT TO BELIEVE? THE SECOND BOOK IN THE GREYSTONE SECRETS SERIES, *THE DECEIVERS*, BY BESTSELLING AUTHOR MARGARET PETERSON HADDIX, CONTINUES THE TWISTY AND SUSPENSEFUL STORY OF THE GREYSTONE KIDS AND EXAMINES THE POWER OF THE TRUTH—OR A LIE—TO ALTER LIVES, SOCIETY, AND EVEN AN ENTIRE REALITY. PRAISE FOR GREYSTONE SECRETS #1: *THE STRANGERS* *WINTER 2018-2019 KIDS' INDIE NEXT LIST PICK* "A SECRET-STACKED, THRILLING SERIES OPENER." —PUBLISHERS WEEKLY, STARRED REVIEW "AN ENGROSSING MYSTERY WITH A CLIFF-HANGER ENDING TO RAISE THE STAKES AND DELIGHT FANS NEW AND OLD." —BOOKLIST "MAINTAINS SUSPENSE FROM THE BEGINNING TO THE CLIFFHANGER ENDING. A HIGH-STAKES ADVENTURE FULL OF TEAMWORK WITH A MULTIFACETED MYSTERY AND COMPLEX THEMES." —KIRKUS REVIEWS

LUCY CRISP AND THE VANISHING HOUSE JANET HILL 2020-04-14 AFTER MOVING TO A SEEMINGLY QUIET AND QUIET NEW TOWN, LUCY FACES A NEW REALITY IN WHICH FAIRIES EXIST, WEATHER CAN BE BOTTLED AND WITCHES HOLD GRUDGES. ACCOMPANIED BY GORGEOUS COLOR PAINTINGS, THIS NOVEL IS PERFECT FOR FANS OF MISS PEREGRINE'S HOME FOR PECULIAR CHILDREN, THE HAZEL WOOD AND GREGORY MAGUIRE. IT HAS BEEN A YEAR SINCE LUCY CRISP GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL AND SHE STILL HASN'T FOUND HER CALLING. THAT IS, UNTIL SHE DISCOVERS AN EXCLUSIVE ARTS COLLEGE CALLED LADYWYCK LODGE. ON A WHIM, SHE APPLIES AND IS THRILLED TO BE ACCEPTED INTO THEIR PROGRAM. LUCY MOVES TO ESTHER WREN, THE CHARMING LITTLE TOWN WHERE IT'S BASED, AND STAYS IN THE HOUSE HER FATHER BUYS AS AN INVESTMENT: A MAGNIFICENT BUILDING BUILT BY A SEA CAPTAIN IN 1876. THE HOUSE HAS HISTORY AND PERSONALITY --PERHAPS TOO MUCH PERSONALITY. . . . STRANGE THINGS START HAPPENING: LUCY HEARS VOICES AND FOOTSTEPS IN EMPTY ROOMS. SHE SEES PEOPLE AND THINGS THAT SHOULD NOT BE THERE. FURNITURE DISAPPEARS AND ELABORATE DESSERTS APPEAR. WHAT'S WORSE IS THAT THE STRANGE EVENTS ARE NOT RESTRICTED TO HER HOUSE. LUCY BEGINS TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE TOWN AND ITS INHABITANTS ARE HIDING MANY SECRETS, AND LADYWYCK IS AT THE HEART. AS THE EERIE HAPPENINGS ESCALATE, LUCY FEARS SHE IS BEING THREATENED -- BUT SHE IS DETERMINED NOT TO LET FAIRY POTIONS, SPELLS AND TALK OF WITCHCRAFT SCARE HER AWAY. JANET HILL'S ENCHANTING DEBUT NOVEL IS PART MYSTERY, PART SUPERNATURAL THRILLER AND ALL FUN.

THE VANISHED COLLECTION PAULINE BAER DE PERIGNON 2023-01-05 A PARISIAN WOMAN'S QUEST TO UNDERSTAND THE FATE OF MISSING ARTWORKS FROM HER GREAT-GRANDPARENTS' APARTMENT.

THE VANISHING JANINE DI GIOVANNI 2021-10-05 THE VANISHING REVEALS THE PLIGHT AND POSSIBLE EXTINCTION OF CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES ACROSS SYRIA, EGYPT, IRAQ, AND PALESTINE AFTER 2,000 YEARS IN THEIR HISTORICAL HOMELAND. SOME OF THE COUNTRIES THAT FIRST NURTURED AND CHARACTERIZED CHRISTIANITY - ALONG THE NORTH AFRICAN COAST, ON THE EUPHRATES AND ACROSS THE MIDDLE EAST AND ARABIA - ARE THE ONES IN WHICH IT IS LIKELY TO FIRST GO EXTINCT. CHRISTIANS ARE ALREADY VANISHING. WE ARE PAST THE TIPPING POINT, NOW TILTED TOWARD THE END OF CHRISTIANITY IN ITS HISTORICAL HOMELAND. CHRISTIANS HAVE FLED THE LANDS WHERE THEIR PROPHETS WANDERED, WHERE JESUS CHRIST PREACHED, WHERE THE GREAT DOCTORS AND HIERARCHS OF THE EARLY CHURCH ESTABLISHED THE DOCTRINAL NORMS THAT WOULD LAST MILLENNIA. FROM SYRIA TO EGYPT, THE CITIES OF NORTHERN IRAQ TO THE GAZA STRIP, ANCIENT COMMUNITIES, THE BIRTHPLACES OF PROPHETS AND SAINTS, ARE LOSING ANY LIVING CONNECTION TO THE RELIGION THAT ONCE WAS SUCH A CHARACTERISTIC FEATURE OF THEIR SOCIAL AND CULTURAL LIVES. IN *THE VANISHING*, JANINE DI GIOVANNI HAS COMBINED ASTONISHING JOURNALISTIC WORK TO DISCOVER THE LAST TRACES OF SMALL, HARDY COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BECOME WISELY FEARFUL OF OUTSIDERS AND WHERE ANCIENT RITUALS ARE QUIETLY PRESERVED AMID 360 DEGREE THREATS. DI GIOVANNI'S RIVETING PERSONAL STORIES AND HER CONCEPTION OF FAITH AND

HOPE ARE INTERTWINED THROUGHOUT THE CHAPTERS. THE BOOK IS A UNIQUE ACT OF PRE-ARCHEOLOGY: THE LAST CHANCE TO VISIT THE LIVING RELIGION BEFORE ALL THAT WILL BE LEFT ARE THE STONES OF THE PAST.

SECRETS AND SIBLINGS MARI MANNINEN 2019-11-15 THIRTY-TWO YEARS AGO MRS LI AND MR WU FROM ZHEJIANG ABANDONED THEIR SECOND BABY DAUGHTER AT A MARKETPLACE. MRS WANG MAOCHEN FROM BEIJING HAS SEVEN CHILDREN, BUT SIX OF THEM ARE ILLEGAL SO THEY COULD NOT GO TO UNIVERSITY, COULD NOT TAKE A JOB, GO TO THE DOCTOR, OR MARRY, OR EVEN BUY A TRAIN TICKET. ZHAO MIN FROM GUANGZHOU FIRST LEARNED ABOUT THE CONCEPT OF A SIBLING AT UNIVERSITY, IN HER TOWN THERE WERE NO SISTERS OR BROTHERS. WITH THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT NOW ADAPTING TO A TWO CHILD POLICY, *SECRETS AND SIBLINGS* OUTLINES THE SCALE OF ITS TRAGIC CONSEQUENCES, SHOWING HOW CHINESE FAMILY AND SOCIETY HAS BEEN FOREVER CHANGED. IN DOING SO IT ALSO CHALLENGES MANY OF OUR MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT FAMILY LIFE IN CHINA, ARGUING THAT IT IS THE STATE, RATHER THAN POPULAR PREJUDICE, THAT HAS HINDERED THE ADOPTION OF GIRLS WITHIN CHINA. AT ONCE BRUTAL AND BEAUTIFULLY HOPEFUL, *SECRETS AND SIBLINGS* ASKS WHAT THE STATE AND ITS CHILDREN WILL DO NOW THAT THEY ARE BECOMING ADULTS.

THE MYSTERY OF THE VANISHING LAKE SANDRA MAGGS 2020-01-28 IN THIS, THE FIFTH BOOK IN THE HOOPER MYSTERIES, BESS MEETS HOLLAND MEGANTY, THE COUSIN OF HER BEST FRIEND, AND HOLLAND HAS A SECRET OF HER OWN. AFTER A STRANGE SIGHTING AT AN AFTERNOON TEA, BESS AND HOLLAND FIND THEY HAVE A LOT MORE IN COMMON THAN ELOISE AND JOIN FORCES TO INVESTIGATE A CRIME FROM THE PAST WHICH WAS NEVER SOLVED. TOGETHER THEY WORK AT FINDING THE CLUES AND UNCOVERING THE TRUTH. AS THERE HAS BEEN IN PAST EPISODES, A LITTLE MORE ABOUT HER TIME TRAVEL AND THE PAST IS REVEALED TO BESS AND ALTHOUGH THE PIECES DON'T QUITE FIT INTO PLACE, SHE'S ONE STEP CLOSER TO FINDING THE REASON FOR HER GIFT.

THE VANISHED DAYS SUSANNA KEARSLEY 2022 "AUTHOR KEARSLEY, SUSANNA PUBLICATION YEAR 5 OCT 2021 FORMAT HARDBACK ISBN-13 978-1-7282-4958-2 ISBN-10 1-7282-4958-9 RESOURCE ICON WE HAVE EBOOKS, DIGITAL AUDIOBOOKS, AND OTHER ELECTRONIC RESOURCES AVAILABLE. LOOK FOR THE (E) BELOW. SUMMARY "I'VE LOVED EVERY ONE OF SUSANNA'S BOOKS! BEDROCK RESEARCH AND A BUTTERFLY'S DELICATE TOUCH WITH CHARACTERS--HISTORICAL FICTION THAT SUCKS YOU IN AND WON'T LET GO!"--DIANA GABALDON, #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF OUTLANDER FROM INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR SUSANNA KEARSLEY COMES A HISTORICAL TALE OF INTRIGUE AND REVOLUTION IN SCOTLAND, WHERE THE EXILE OF KING JAMES BROUGHT PLOTS, MACHINATIONS, SUSPICION AND UNTOLD BRAVERY TO LIGHT. AN INVESTIGATION OF A YOUNG WIDOW'S SECRETS BY A MAN WHO'S FAR FROM OBJECTIVE, LEADS TO A MULTI-LAYERED TALE OF ADVENTURE, ENDURANCE, ROMANCE...AND THE COURAGE TO HOPE. IN THE AUTUMN OF 1707, OLD ENEMIES FROM THE HIGHLANDS TO THE BORDERS ARE FINDING COMMON GROUND AS THEY JOIN TO PROTEST THE NEW UNION WITH ENGLAND. AT THE SAME TIME, THE FRENCH ARE PREPARING TO LAUNCH AN INVASION TO BRING THE YOUNG EXILED JACOBITE KING BACK TO SCOTLAND TO RECLAIM HIS THRONE, AND IN EDINBURGH THE STREETS ARE FILLED WITH DISCONTENT AND DANGER. QUEEN ANNE'S COMMISSIONERS, SEEKING TO CALM THE SITUATION, HAVE BEGUN PAYING OUT MONEY SENT UP FROM LONDON TO SETTLE THE LOSSES AND WAGES OWED TO THOSE SCOTS WHO TOOK PART IN THE DISASTROUS DARIEN EXPEDITION EIGHT YEARS EARLIER--AN ILL-FATED VENTURE THAT LEFT SCOTLAND ALL BUT BANKRUPT. WHEN THE YOUNG WIDOW OF A DARIEN SAILOR COMES FORWARD TO COLLECT HER HUSBAND'S WAGES, HER CLAIM IS CHALLENGED. ONE OF THE MEN ASSIGNED TO INVESTIGATE HAS ONLY DAYS TO DECIDE IF SHE'S HONEST, OR IF HIS OWN FEELINGS ARE BLINDING HIM TO THE TRUTH. *THE VANISHED DAYS* IS A PREQUEL AND COMPANION NOVEL TO *THE WINTER SEA*, WITH ACTION THAT OVERLAPS SOME OF THE ACTION IN THAT BOOK. *THE VANISHED DAYS* GOES BACK IN TIME TO THE 1680S AND INTRODUCES THE READER TO THE MORAY AND GRAEME FAMILIES"--

BEYOND THE VANISHING POINT RAYMOND KING CUMMINGS 2022-08-16 DIGICAT PUBLISHING PRESENTS TO YOU THIS SPECIAL EDITION OF "BEYOND THE VANISHING POINT" BY RAYMOND KING CUMMINGS. DIGICAT PUBLISHING CONSIDERS EVERY WRITTEN WORD TO BE A LEGACY OF HUMANKIND. EVERY DIGICAT BOOK HAS BEEN CAREFULLY REPRODUCED FOR REPUBLISHING IN A NEW MODERN FORMAT. THE BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE IN PRINT, AS WELL AS EBOOKS. DIGICAT HOPES YOU WILL TREAT THIS WORK WITH THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND PASSION IT DESERVES AS A CLASSIC OF WORLD LITERATURE.

THE NAME OF THIS BOOK IS SECRET PSEUDONYMOUS BOSCH 2008-09-01 READ THE SERIES THAT'S SOLD MORE THAN 2 MILLION COPIES--IF YOU DARE! WARNING: THIS DESCRIPTION HAS NOT BEEN AUTHORIZED BY PSEUDONYMOUS BOSCH. AS MUCH AS HE'D LOVE TO SING THE PRAISES OF HIS BOOK (HE IS VERY VAIN), HE WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO HEAR ABOUT HIS BRAVE 11-YEAR OLD HEROES, CASS AND MAX-ERNEST. OR ABOUT HOW A MYSTERIOUS BOX OF VIALS, THE SYMPHONY OF SMELLS, SENDS THEM ON THE TRAIL OF A MAGICIAN WHO HAS VANISHED UNDER STRANGE (AND STINKY) CIRCUMSTANCES. AND HE CERTAINLY WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO KNOW ABOUT THE HAIR-RAISING ADVENTURES THAT FOLLOW AND THE NEFARIOUS VILLAINS THEY FACE. YOU SEE, NOT ONLY IS THE NAME OF THIS BOOK SECRET, THE STORY INSIDE IS, TOO. FOR IT CONCERNS A SECRET. A BIG SECRET.

VANISHING TYPE THE E. ADAMS 2022-04-26 ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY HAILS THE SECRET, BOOK, AND SCONE SOCIETY SERIES

BY NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR ELLERY ADAMS AS "A LOVE LETTER TO READING," AND IN THIS FIFTH INSTALLMENT, BOOKSHOP OWNER, BIBLIOTHERAPIST, AND OCCASIONAL SLEUTH NORA PENNINGTON MUST ENLIST THE HELP OF HER BRILLIANT, BRASSY LIBRARIAN FRIEND BOBBIE TO UNRAVEL THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THE SCARLET LETTER, AN OBSCURE 19TH CENTURY WRITER, AND A DEAD HIKER... WHILE JANUARY SNOW FALLS OUTSIDE IN MIRACLE SPRINGS, NORTH CAROLINA, NORA PENNINGTON IS ENCOURAGING CUSTOMERS TO COZY UP INDOORS WITH A GOOD BOOK. EVEN THOUGH THE SHOP AND HER BIBLIOTHERAPY SESSIONS KEEP NORA BUSY DURING THE DAY, HER NIGHTS ARE A LITTLE TOO QUIET--UNTIL DEPUTY ANDREWS PULLS NORA INTO THE SCI-FI SECTION AND ASKS HER TO HELP HIM PLAN A WEDDING PROPOSAL. HIS BRIDE-TO-BE, HESTER, LOVES LITTLE WOMEN, AND NORA SETS TO WORK ARRANGING A SPECIAL SCREENING AT THE TOWN'S NEW MOVIE THEATER. BUT RIGHT BEFORE THE DEPUTY POPS THE QUESTION, NORA MAKES AN UNSETTLING DISCOVERY--SOMEONE HAS MUTILATED ALL HER STORE'S COPIES OF THE SCARLET LETTER, SLICING ANGRILY INTO THE PAGES WHEREVER HESTER PRYNNE'S NAME IS MENTIONED. THE COINCIDENCE DISTURBS NORA, WHO'S ONE OF THE FEW IN MIRACLE SPRINGS WHO KNOWS THAT HESTER GAVE UP A BABY FOR ADOPTION MANY YEARS AGO. HER FAMILY HEAPED SHAME ON HER, AND HESTER STILL FEELS SO GUILTY THAT SHE HASN'T EVEN TOLD HER FUTURE HUSBAND. BUT WHEN A DEAD MAN IS FOUND ON A HIKING TRAIL JUST OUTSIDE TOWN, CARRYING A RARE BOOK, THE MEMBERS OF THE SECRET, BOOK, AND SCONE SOCIETY UNEARTH A CONNECTION TO HESTER'S PAST. SOMEONE IS INTENT ON BRINGING THE PAST TO LIGHT, AND IT'S NOT JUST HESTER'S RELATIONSHIP AT STAKE, BUT HER LIFE...

THE VANISHED BRIDE BELLA ELLIS 2020-07-07 INCLUDES EXCERPT FROM THE DIABOLICAL BONES.

THE VANISHED DAYS SUSANNA KEARSLEY 2022-04-28 A SWEEPING LOVE STORY SET AGAINST THE JACOBITE REVOLUTION FROM MUCH-LOVED, MILLION COPY BESTSELLING AUTHOR SUSANNA KEARSLEY THERE ARE MANY WHO BELIEVE THEY KNOW WHAT HAPPENED, BUT THEY DO NOT KNOW THE WHOLE OF IT. THE RUMOURS SPREAD, AND GROW, AND TAKE THEIR HOLD, AND SO TO END THEM I HAVE BEEN PERSUADED NOW TO TAKE MY PEN IN HAND AND TELL THE STORY AS IT SHOULD BE TOLD... AUTUMN, 1707. OLD ENEMIES FROM THE HIGHLANDS TO THE BORDERS ARE FINDING COMMON GROUND AS THEY JOIN TO PROTEST THE NEW UNION WITH ENGLAND, THE FRENCH ARE PREPARING TO LAUNCH AN INVASION TO CARRY THE YOUNG EXILED JACOBITE KING BACK TO SCOTLAND TO RECLAIM HIS THRONE, AND IN EDINBURGH THE STREETS ARE FILLED WITH DISCONTENT AND DANGER. QUEEN ANNE'S COMMISSIONERS, SEEKING TO CALM THE SITUATION, HAVE BEGUN SETTling THE LOSSES AND WAGES OWED TO THOSE SCOTS WHO TOOK PART IN THE DISASTROUS DARIEN EXPEDITION EIGHT YEARS EARLIER. WHEN LILY, THE YOUNG WIDOW OF A DARIEN SAILOR, COMES FORWARD TO COLLECT HER HUSBAND'S WAGES, HER CLAIM IS CHALLENGED, AND ONE OF THE MEN WHO'S ASSIGNED TO EXAMINE HER HAS ONLY DAYS TO DECIDE IF SHE'S HONEST, OR IF HIS OWN FEELINGS ARE MAKING HIM BLIND TO THE TRUTH, AND IF HE'S BEING USED AS A PAWN IN AN EVEN MORE TREACHEROUS GAME. A STORY OF INTRIGUE, ADVENTURE, ENDURANCE, ROMANCE...AND THE COURAGE TO HOPE. 'FASCINATING AND IMMERSIVE... I LOVE A NOVEL THAT DEALS WITH THE MANY WAYS IN WHICH PEOPLE KEEP THEIR SECRETS' DIANA GABALDON 'A HUGELY ENGROSSING BOOK AND A COMPLETE WORLD CREATED' IAN RANKIN 'THE VANISHED DAYS IS AN ABSOLUTE TOUR DE FORCE OF HISTORICAL STORYTELLING, TENDER AND DRAMATIC, GRIPPING AND AUTHENTIC. KEARSLEY MANAGES EFFORTLESSLY TO BALANCE THE EPIC SWEEP OF THE DRAMA WITH TELLING MOMENTS OF GENTLE CHARACTERIZATION, ALL DELIVERED IN PITCH-PERFECT STYLE. I THOROUGHLY ENJOYED IT: A PERFECT ESCAPE IN THESE DARK DAYS' JANE JOHNSON, AUTHOR OF THE SALT ROAD AND THE TENTH GIFT 'AN ENGROSSING AND DEEPLY ROMANTIC NOVEL OF SCOTLAND'S JACOBITE REBELLION' RACHEL HORE 'THIS NOVEL TELLS OF A TENDER LOVE STORY SET AMID THE JACOBITE REBELLION. FOR READERS UNFAMILIAR WITH THE TWISTS AND TURNS OF THIS PERIOD OF SCOTTISH HISTORY, AUTHOR KEARSLEY PROVIDES A HELPFUL MAP, ALONG WITH RICH DETAILS OF THE PROTAGONISTS. COURAGE IN THIS ERA LIES NOT IN ACTS OF HEROIC DARING, BUT IN STEADFAST PURSUIT OF TRUTH AND JUSTICE. PERFECT FOR FANS OF DIANA GABALDON'S OUTLANDER' WOMAN & HOME PRAISE FOR SUSANNA KEARSLEY'S BOOKS: 'A THRILLING, HAUNTING AND DEEPLY ROMANTIC STORY POWERFULLY TOLD BY AN ENGAGING HEROINE...ENCHANTING AND BEAUTIFULLY EVOKED.' RACHEL HORE 'I'VE LOVED EVERY ONE OF HER BOOKS! SHE HAS BEDROCK RESEARCH AND A BUTTERFLY'S DELICATE TOUCH WITH CHARACTERS—SURE RECIPE FOR HISTORICAL FICTION THAT SUCKS YOU IN AND WON'T LET GO!' DIANA GABALDON, BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF OUTLANDER 'A DEEPLY-ENGAGING ROMANCE AND A COMPELLING HISTORICAL NOVEL... A MARVELLOUS BOOK.' BERNARD CORNWELL 'THE VANISHED DAYS EXHIBITS KEARSLEY'S ABILITY TO DEFTLY BALANCE DUAL TIME LINES TO GREAT DRAMATIC EFFECT, RIGHT UP TO THE TWIST OF AN ENDING... THIS BOOK STANDS ON ITS OWN AND WILL FIND AN EAGER AUDIENCE AMONG FANS OF ROMANTIC HISTORICAL FICTION' BOOKLIST

THE VANISHING CONSCIENCE JOHN F. MACARTHUR 2005-03-06 ARE YOU LOSING YOUR ABILITY TO RECOGNIZE SIN? ARE YOU BECOMING A PERSON WHO FINDS IT EASY TO SHIFT BLAME, DENY GUILT, OR EXCUSE MORAL FAILURE IN YOURSELF OR OTHERS? IN THIS CHALLENGING YET COMPELLING BOOK, JOHN MACARTHUR ENCOURAGES YOU TO CONFRONT THE CULTURE'S FLIGHT FROM MORAL RESPONSIBILITY. WITH SOUND BIBLICAL TRUTH, THIS BOOK SHOWS HOW AND WHY SIN MUST BE DEALT WITH IF YOU ARE TO LIVE IN A WAY THAT PLEASURES GOD. WITH CLAIRTY AND INSIGHT, JOHN MACARTHUR PROVIDES YOU WITH SOLUTIONS FOR ATTAINING A PERSONAL HOLINESS THAT CAN TAKE YOU FROM LIVING A LIFE OF BLAME AND DENIAL TO ONE OF PEACE AND FREEDOM. PRAISE FOR THE VANISHING CONSCIENCE: "... A WAKE-UP CALL AND AN ALARM TO JOLT THE SLEEPING CHURCH. NOT ALL WILL LIKE IT, BUT ALL

SHOULD READ IT. IN THIS DAY OF MORALITY BY MAJORITY, SELF-CENTERED MINISTRY, AND TWILIGHT-ZONE THEOLOGY, A CLEAR WORD LIKE THIS IS LONG OVERDUE." ?DR. ADRIAN ROGERS, PASTOR, BELLEVUE BAPTIST CHURCH ". . . A CLEAR AND PROPHETIC WORD THAT WE MUST HEAR AND HEED." ?DR. JOSEPH M. STOWELL, PRESIDENT, MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE "WITH THE CLARION CALL OF A PROPHET, MACARTHUR POINTS US BACK TO SOMETHING WE HAVE FORGOTTEN: THE VALUE AND IMPORTANCE OF A CLEAN CONSCIENCE." ?GREG LAURIE, SENIOR PASTOR, HARVEST CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

THE McAVOY SISTERS BOOK OF SECRETS MOLLY FADER 2019-07-16 "THE TALENTED MOLLY FADER WILL KEEP YOU TURNING THE PAGES RIGHT DOWN TO THE OH-SO-SATISFYING FINAL TWIST." —SUSAN WIGGS, NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR WHAT DROVE THEIR FAMILY APART JUST MIGHT BRING THEM BACK TOGETHER... IT'S BEEN SEVENTEEN YEARS SINCE THE TRAGIC SUMMER THE McAVOY SISTERS FELL APART. LINDY, THE WILD ONE, LEFT HOME, CARVED OUT A NEW LIFE IN THE CITY AND NEVER LOOKED BACK. DELIA, THE SISTER WHO STAYED, BECAME A MOTHER HERSELF, RAISING HER DAUGHTERS AND RUNNING THE FAMILY SHOP IN THEIR SMALL OHIO HOMETOWN ON THE SHORES OF LAKE ERIE. BUT NOW, WITH THEIR MOTHER'S AILING HEALTH AND A REBELLIOUS TEENAGER TO REIN IN, DELIA HAS NO CHOICE BUT TO WELCOME LINDY HOME. AS THE TWO SISTERS TRY TO PUT THEIR FAMILY BACK IN ORDER, THEY FINALLY HAVE THE CHANCE TO RECLAIM WHAT'S BEEN LOST OVER THE YEARS: FOR DELIA, PROFESSIONAL DREAMS AND A HAPPY MARRIAGE, AND FOR LINDY, A SENSE OF HOME AND AN OLD FLAME—AND BEST OF ALL, EACH OTHER. BUT WHEN ONE TURBULENT NIGHT LEADS TO A SHOCKING REVELATION, THE WOMEN MUST FACE THE PAST THEY'VE AVOIDED FOR A DECADE. AND THERE'S NOTHING LIKE AN OLD SECRET TO BRING THE McAVOY WOMEN BACK TOGETHER AND STRONGER THAN EVER. WITH WARM AFFECTION AND WRY WIT, MOLLY FADER'S THE McAVOY SISTERS BOOK OF SECRETS IS ABOUT THE TIES THAT BIND FAMILY AND THE POWER OF SECRETS TO HOLD US BACK OR SET US FREE.

THE BOOK OF SECRETS MAT TONTI 2020-10-01 THIS EXCITING GRAPHIC NOVEL PRESENTS A SERIES OF PUZZLING MYSTICAL JEWISH STORIES WEAVING TOGETHER A DARING ADVENTURE TALE, FOLLOWING SIBLINGS ROSE AND BEN AS THEY SEARCH FOR THEIR MISSING GRANDPARENTS, AIDED ONLY BY A MYSTERIOUS BOOK, A LANTERN, AND THEIR WITS. ANTICIPATING DANGER, THE KIDS' GRANDMOTHER, BUBBE, APPEARS TO THE TWINS IN A CLOUD OF FLOUR AND TELLS THEM TO FIND A PACKAGE THAT CONTAINS A BOOK. THE MIDRASH STORIES THEY FIND ABOUT THE FLYING ZIZ, THE GIANT OG, THE GATEKEEPER AT A MAZE, AND A TREASURE-SEEKER WHO LIVES IN A MUSHROOM HUT PROVIDE INSIGHTS INTO DEFEATING THE CREEPY SORCERESS SCHEMING TO TAKE THE BOOK. AS THE MYSTERY DEEPENS, THE SIBLINGS MUST FOLLOW THE LAMPLIGHTER'S WISE ADVICE, SLIP PAST A GUARD INTO A MAZE, REUNITE WITH THEIR GRANDPARENTS, AND LEARN WHY THEY HAVE INHERITED THE RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT THE BOOK AND THE JEWISH PEOPLE.

JOURNEY TO THE VANISHED CITY TUDOR PARFITT 2000 AN AUTHORITY ON THE LOST TRIBES OF ISRAEL DESCRIBES HIS JOURNEY TO SOLVE THE ORIGINS OF THE LEMBA OF ZIMBABWE, A PEOPLE WHO CLAIM THEY ARE DESCENDANTS OF THE QUEEN OF SHEBA AND KING SOLOMON

ONE CHILD MEI FONG 2015-11-03 A PULITZER PRIZE-WINNING JOURNALIST OFFERS AN INTIMATE INVESTIGATION OF CHINA'S ONE-CHILD POLICY AND ITS CONSEQUENCES FOR FAMILIES AND THE NATION AT LARGE. FOR OVER THREE DECADES, CHINA EXERCISED UNPRECEDENTED CONTROL OVER THE REPRODUCTIVE HABITS OF ITS BILLION CITIZENS. NOW, WITH ITS ECONOMY FALTERING JUST AS IT SEEMED POISED TO BECOME THE LARGEST IN THE WORLD, THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS BROUGHT AN END TO ITS ONE-CHILD POLICY. IT MAY ONCE HAVE SEEMED A SHORTCUT TO RICHES, BUT IT HAS HAD A PROFOUND EFFECT ON SOCIETY IN MODERN CHINA. COMBINING PERSONAL PORTRAITS OF FAMILIES AFFECTED BY THE POLICY WITH A NUANCED ACCOUNT OF CHINA'S DESCENT TOWARDS ECONOMIC AND SOCIETAL TURMOIL, MEI FONG REVEALS THE TRUE COST OF THIS CONTROVERSIAL POLICY. DRAWING ON EIGHT YEARS OF RESEARCH, FONG REVEALS A DYSTOPIAN LEGACY OF SECOND CHILDREN REFUSED DOCUMENTATION BY THE STATE; ONLY CHILDREN SUPPORTING THEIR PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS; AND VILLAGES FILLED WITH INELIGIBLE BACHELORS. A "VIVID AND THOROUGHLY RESEARCHED" PIECE OF ON-THE-GROUND JOURNALISM, ONE CHILD HUMANIZES THE POLICY THAT DEFINED CHINA AND WARNS THAT THE ILL-EFFECTS OF ITS LEGACY WILL BE FELT ACROSS THE GLOBE (THE GUARDIAN, UK).

THE SECRET LIFE OF THE ADDER NICHOLAS MILTON 2022-05-30 IN 2019 THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE SURVEY EVER OF ADDERS WAS PUBLISHED. ACCORDING TO MAKE THE ADDER COUNT THE SPECIES WILL DISAPPEAR FROM MOST OF BRITAIN IN THE NEXT 15-20 YEARS UNLESS WE TAKE ACTION NOW TO SAVE IT. BUT DESPITE BEING A PRIORITY CONSERVATION SPECIES UNDER THE BIODIVERSITY ACTION PLAN, NOT A SINGLE NATURE RESERVE IN BRITAIN HAS BEEN SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED TO PROTECT IT. THROUGHOUT OUR HISTORY WE HAVE SYSTEMATICALLY PERSECUTED THE ADDER OVER GENERATIONS BECAUSE IT IS BRITAIN'S ONLY VENOMOUS SNAKE. NOW THE ADDER POPULATION IS IN DIRE STRAITS, ITS RAPIDLY DECLINING NUMBERS OCCURRING ON INCREASINGLY SMALL, ISOLATED AND FRAGMENTED SITES. ACCORDING TO MAKE THE ADDER COUNT 90% OF THE SITES WHERE IT STILL OCCURS HAVE 10 OR LESS ADULT SNAKES AND ARE NOW CONSIDERED TO BE VERY VULNERABLE TO LOCAL EXTINCTION. DESPITE THE ADDER POPULATION BEING IN DIRE STRAITS, IT IS STILL NOT TOO LATE TO SAVE IT IF WE ACT NOW. THIS BOOK

CONTAINS A 10 POINT ADDER ACTION PLAN WHICH IF IMPLEMENTED COULD HELP TO RESTORE THE ADDER TO ITS FORMER RANGE ACROSS BRITAIN. USING MANY UNIQUE PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE SPECIES PUBLISHED FOR THE FIRST TIME, IT ALSO CONTAINS A HISTORY OF THE ADDER AND REVEALS ITS SECRET LIFE WHICH HAS MADE IT THE MOST SUCCESSFUL SNAKE IN THE WORLD. WITH A FOREWORD BY IOLO WILLIAMS, THE BBC SPRINGWATCH PRESENTER, THIS BOOK IS A STORY OF OUR TIMES, ONE WHICH TYPIFIES THE AGE OF EXTINCTION THROUGH WHICH WE ARE ALL LIVING AND ARE ALL RESPONSIBLE.

THE VANISHING ACT OF ESME LENNOX MAGGIE O'FARRELL 2006 IRIS LOCKHART IS STUNNED WHEN SHE RECEIVES NEWS THAT HER GREAT-AUNT ESME, A PREVIOUSLY UNKNOWN WOMAN EDITED OUT OF HER FAMILY'S HISTORY, IS BEING RELEASED FROM CAULDSTONE HOSPITAL, WHERE SHE HAS BEEN CONFINED FOR MORE THAN SIXTY YEARS, AND SOON DISCOVERS THAT ESME HOLDS THE KEY TO LONG-HIDDEN FAMILY SECRETS THAT COULD CHANGE HER LIFE FOREVER.

SECRETS AND SIBLINGS MARI MANNINEN 2019-11-15 THIRTY-TWO YEARS AGO MRS LI AND MR WU FROM ZHEJIANG ABANDONED THEIR SECOND BABY DAUGHTER AT A MARKETPLACE. MRS WANG MAOCHEN FROM BEIJING HAS SEVEN CHILDREN, BUT SIX OF THEM ARE ILLEGAL SO THEY COULD NOT GO TO UNIVERSITY, COULD NOT TAKE A JOB, GO TO THE DOCTOR, OR MARRY, OR EVEN BUY A TRAIN TICKET. ZHAO MIN FROM GUANGZHOU FIRST LEARNED ABOUT THE CONCEPT OF A SIBLING AT UNIVERSITY, IN HER TOWN THERE WERE NO SISTERS OR BROTHERS. WITH THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT NOW ADAPTING TO A TWO CHILD POLICY, *SECRETS AND SIBLINGS* OUTLINES THE SCALE OF ITS TRAGIC CONSEQUENCES, SHOWING HOW CHINESE FAMILY AND SOCIETY HAS BEEN FOREVER CHANGED. IN DOING SO IT ALSO CHALLENGES MANY OF OUR MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT FAMILY LIFE IN CHINA, ARGUING THAT IT IS THE STATE, RATHER THAN POPULAR PREJUDICE, THAT HAS HINDERED THE ADOPTION OF GIRLS WITHIN CHINA. AT ONCE BRUTAL AND BEAUTIFULLY HOPEFUL, *SECRETS AND SIBLINGS* ASKS WHAT THE STATE AND ITS CHILDREN WILL DO NOW THAT THEY ARE BECOMING ADULTS.

INK AND SHADOWS ELLERY ADAMS 2021-01-26 CONTROVERSY ERUPTS IN MIRACLE SPRINGS, NORTH CAROLINA, WHEN THE OWNER OF THE LOCAL BOOKSTORE TRIES TO PLAY PEACEKEEPER—BUT WINDS UP PLAYING DETECTIVE INSTEAD . . . KNOWN FOR HER WINDOW DISPLAYS, NORA PENNINGTON DECIDES TO SHOWCASE FICTIONAL HEROINES LIKE ROALD DAHL'S MATILDA AND MADELINE MILLER'S CIRCE FOR HALLOWEEN. BUT A FAMILY-VALUES GROUP DISAPPROVES OF THE MAGICAL THEMES AND WASTES NO TIME LAUNCHING A MODERN-DAY WITCH HUNT. SUDDENLY, FORMER FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS ARE TARGETING NOT ONLY NORA AND MIRACLE BOOKS, BUT A NEW SHOPKEEPER, CELESTE, WHO'S BEEN SELLING CBD OIL PRODUCTS. NORA AND HER FRIENDS IN THE SECRET, BOOK, AND SCONE SOCIETY ARE DOING THEIR BEST TO PUT AN END TO THE STRIFE—BUT THEN SOMEONE PUTS AN END TO A LIFE. DECLARED AN ACCIDENT, THE RULING CAN'T EXPLAIN THE OLD BOOK PAGE COVERED WITH STRANGE SYMBOLS AND DISTURBING DRAWINGS LEFT UNDER NORA'S DOORMAT. IT'S UP TO NORA AND THE SECRET, BOOK, AND SCONE SOCIETY TO SORT OUT THE CLUES BEFORE MORE BODIES TURN UP AND THE SECRETS FROM CELESTE'S PAST COME BACK TO HAUNT THEM ALL . . . "ENTERTAINING . . . PACKED WITH MYSTERY, ROMANCE, AND SISTERHOOD." —KIRKUS REVIEWS

THE VANISHED PRIESTESS MEREDITH BLEVINS 2004-10 WHEN THE BENEFACTRESS OF A WOMEN'S SHELTER DIES UNDER SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES, ANNIE SZABO INVESTIGATES NUMEROUS SUSPECTS FROM THE VICTIM'S PAST AND DEDUCES THAT HER KILLER IS A MASTER OF DISGUISES.

THE VANISHING WOMAN FIORELLA DE MARIA 2018-03-27 IN THIS NEXT BOOK IN THE FATHER GABRIEL MYSTERY SERIES, THE PRIEST DETECTIVE TRIES TO SOLVE THE RIDDLE BEHIND THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE MOST HATED WOMAN IN TOWN. ENID JENNINGS, A RETIRED HEADMISTRESS AND AN EMBITTERED WAR WIDOW, HAS A TALENT FOR CAUSING CONFLICT AND DISTRESS WHEREVER SHE GOES. WHEN ENID'S DAUGHTER SEES HER VANISH INTO THIN AIR, SHE IS WIDELY ASSUMED TO HAVE BEEN MISTAKEN OR TO HAVE LOST HER MIND – OR WORSE, TO HAVE COMMITTED AN ACT OF FOUL PLAY. ENTER FATHER GABRIEL. WORKING ON THE PRINCIPLE THAT SOME STORIES ARE TOO STRANGE TO HAVE BEEN MADE UP, THE PRIEST SETS OUT TO DISCOVER THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE MISSING WOMAN. WITH HELP FROM THE TOWN'S PHYSICIAN, AND HOSTILITY FROM THE IRASCIBLE INSPECTOR APPLIGATE, FATHER GABRIEL DELVES INTO ENID JENNINGS' PAST, AND HE DIGS UP THE RECENT PAST OF THE WHOLE VILLAGE DURING THE DAYS OF THE PHONY WAR, WHEN INVADERS LAY IN WAIT ACROSS THE CHANNEL AND CRIMES WERE JUST A LITTLE EASIER TO HIDE.

THE VANISHED COLLECTION PAULINE BAER DE PERIGNON 2022-01-11 IT ALL STARTED WITH A LIST OF PAINTINGS. THERE, SCRIBBLED BY A COUSIN SHE HADN'T SEEN FOR YEARS, WERE THE NAMES OF THE MASTERS WHOSE WORKS ONCE BELONGED TO HER GREAT-GRANDFATHER, JULES STRAUSS: Renoir, Monet, Degas, Tiepolo and more. Pauline Baer de Perignon knew little to nothing about Strauss, or about his vanished, precious art collection. But the list drove her on a frenzied trail of research in the archives of the Louvre and the Dresden museums, through Gestapo records, and to consult with Nobel laureate Patrick Modiano. What happened in 1942? And what became of the collection after Nazis seized her great-grandparents' elegant Parisian apartment? The quest takes Pauline Baer de Perignon from the occupation of France to the present day as she breaks the silence around the wrenching experiences her family never fully

TRANSMITTED, AND ASKS WHAT ART ITSELF IS CAPABLE OF CONVEYING OVER TIME.

THE VANISHED DAYS SUSANNA KEARSLEY 2021-10-05 "I'VE LOVED EVERY ONE OF SUSANNA'S BOOKS! BEDROCK RESEARCH AND A BUTTERFLY'S DELICATE TOUCH WITH CHARACTERS—HISTORICAL FICTION THAT SUCKS YOU IN AND WON'T LET GO!" —DIANA GABALDON, #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF OUTLANDER FROM INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR SUSANNA KEARSLEY COMES A HISTORICAL TALE OF INTRIGUE AND REVOLUTION IN SCOTLAND, WHERE THE EXILE OF KING JAMES BROUGHT PLOTS, MACHINATIONS, SUSPICION AND UNTOLD BRAVERY TO LIGHT. TOLD PARTIALLY IN FLASHBACKS, THE VANISHED DAYS WEAVES IN AND OUT OF THE TIMELINE OF THE AUTHOR'S BELOVED NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER THE WINTER SEA, UNRAVELING AN INVESTIGATION INTO A YOUNG WIDOW'S SECRETS TO UNVEIL A PLOT THAT RESONATES TO THE HIGHEST ECHELONS OF SCOTLAND'S SOCIAL AND POLITICAL LEADERS. IN THE AUTUMN OF 1707, OLD ENEMIES FROM THE HIGHLANDS TO THE BORDERS ARE FINDING COMMON GROUND AS THEY JOIN TO PROTEST THE NEW UNION WITH ENGLAND. AT THE SAME TIME, THE FRENCH ARE PREPARING TO LAUNCH AN INVASION TO BRING THE YOUNG EXILED JACOBITE KING BACK TO SCOTLAND TO RECLAIM HIS THRONE, AND IN EDINBURGH THE STREETS ARE FILLED WITH DISCONTENT AND DANGER. QUEEN ANNE'S COMMISSIONERS, SEEKING TO CALM THE SITUATION, HAVE BEGUN PAYING OUT MONEY SENT UP FROM LONDON TO SETTLE THE LOSSES AND WAGES OWED TO THOSE SCOTS WHO TOOK PART IN THE DISASTROUS DARIEN EXPEDITION EIGHT YEARS EARLIER—AN ILL-FATED VENTURE THAT LEFT SCOTLAND ALL BUT BANKRUPT. WHEN THE YOUNG WIDOW OF A DARIEN SAILOR COMES FORWARD TO COLLECT HER HUSBAND'S WAGES, HER CLAIM IS CHALLENGED. ONE OF THE MEN ASSIGNED TO INVESTIGATE HAS ONLY DAYS TO DECIDE IF SHE'S HONEST, OR IF HIS OWN FEELINGS ARE BLINDING HIM TO THE TRUTH. SET AT THE CUSP OF THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY, IN THE MIDST OF THE JACOBITE REBELLION, THE VANISHED DAYS IS A BRILLIANTLY TOLD STORY OF ESPIONAGE, LOYALTIES DIVIDED, BOUNDLESS COURAGE AND ENDURING LOVE.

THE VANISHING HALF BRIT BENNETT 2022-02-01 #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER ONE OF BARACK OBAMA'S FAVORITE BOOKS OF THE YEAR NAMED A BEST BOOK OF 2020 BY THE NEW YORK TIMES * THE WASHINGTON POST * NPR * PEOPLE * TIME MAGAZINE * VANITY FAIR * GLAMOUR 2021 WOMEN'S PRIZE FINALIST "BENNETT'S TONE AND STYLE RECALLS JAMES BALDWIN AND JACQUELINE WOODSON, BUT IT'S ESPECIALLY REMINISCENT OF TONI MORRISON'S 1970 DEBUT NOVEL, THE BLUEST EYE." —KILEY REID, WALL STREET JOURNAL "A STORY OF ABSOLUTE, UNIVERSAL TIMELESSNESS ...FOR ANY ERA, IT'S AN ACCOMPLISHED, AFFECTING NOVEL. FOR THIS MOMENT, IT'S PIERCING, SUBTLY WENDING ITS WAY TOWARD QUESTIONS ABOUT WHO WE ARE AND WHO WE WANT TO BE..." — ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES-BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF THE MOTHERS, A STUNNING NEW NOVEL ABOUT TWIN SISTERS, INSEPARABLE AS CHILDREN, WHO ULTIMATELY CHOOSE TO LIVE IN TWO VERY DIFFERENT WORLDS, ONE BLACK AND ONE WHITE. THE VIGNES TWIN SISTERS WILL ALWAYS BE IDENTICAL. BUT AFTER GROWING UP TOGETHER IN A SMALL, SOUTHERN BLACK COMMUNITY AND RUNNING AWAY AT AGE SIXTEEN, IT'S NOT JUST THE SHAPE OF THEIR DAILY LIVES THAT IS DIFFERENT AS ADULTS, IT'S EVERYTHING: THEIR FAMILIES, THEIR COMMUNITIES, THEIR RACIAL IDENTITIES. MANY YEARS LATER, ONE SISTER LIVES WITH HER BLACK DAUGHTER IN THE SAME SOUTHERN TOWN SHE ONCE TRIED TO ESCAPE. THE OTHER SECRETLY PASSES FOR WHITE, AND HER WHITE HUSBAND KNOWS NOTHING OF HER PAST. STILL, EVEN SEPARATED BY SO MANY MILES AND JUST AS MANY LIES, THE FATES OF THE TWINS REMAIN INTERTWINED. WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE NEXT GENERATION, WHEN THEIR OWN DAUGHTERS' STORYLINES INTERSECT? WEAVING TOGETHER MULTIPLE STRANDS AND GENERATIONS OF THIS FAMILY, FROM THE DEEP SOUTH TO CALIFORNIA, FROM THE 1950S TO THE 1990S, BRIT BENNETT PRODUCES A STORY THAT IS AT ONCE A RIVETING, EMOTIONAL FAMILY STORY AND A BRILLIANT EXPLORATION OF THE AMERICAN HISTORY OF PASSING. LOOKING WELL BEYOND ISSUES OF RACE, THE VANISHING HALF CONSIDERS THE LASTING INFLUENCE OF THE PAST AS IT SHAPES A PERSON'S DECISIONS, DESIRES, AND EXPECTATIONS, AND EXPLORES SOME OF THE MULTIPLE REASONS AND REALMS IN WHICH PEOPLE SOMETIMES FEEL PULLED TO LIVE AS SOMETHING OTHER THAN THEIR ORIGINS. AS WITH HER NEW YORK TIMES-BESTSELLING DEBUT THE MOTHERS, BRIT BENNETT OFFERS AN ENGROSSING PAGE-TURNER ABOUT FAMILY AND RELATIONSHIPS THAT IS IMMERSIVE AND PROVOCATIVE, COMPASSIONATE AND WISE.

THE VANISHING CHILD JENNIFER HARVEY 2021-08-26 THEY'D USED HIS SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPH IN THE NEWSPAPERS. HIS BLOND HAIR NEATLY COMBED, SMILING FOR THE CAMERA. I THOUGHT, YOU WILL DISAPPEAR, JOHNNY. THIS WILL BE THE LAST PHOTO TAKEN OF YOU. FORTY YEARS AGO: CECE'S SON WENT OUT ON HIS BIKE ON A HOT SUMMER'S DAY AND NEVER CAME HOME. EVERY EVENING SHE LINGERS ON HER FRONT PORCH, HOPING TO SEE HIM COMING UP THE DRIVEWAY. BUT THE STREET REMAINS EMPTY AND, WITH HER HEART ACHING, CECE GOES BACK INSIDE AND CLOSES THE DOOR BEHIND HER... FORTY YEARS LATER: ON A RARE VISIT TO HER FATHER, CARLA STUMBLES ACROSS A BOX TUCKED AWAY IN ONE OF THE CUPBOARDS. FULL OF HER FATHER'S DIARIES AND OLD NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS, IT TELLS THE STORY OF THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THREE BOYS WHEN HER FATHER WAS JUST A CHILD. HER FATHER REFUSES TO DISCUSS THE MISSING CHILDREN AND HIS SILENCE ONLY MAKES CARLA MORE CURIOUS. WHEN SHE MEETS THE MOTHER OF THE LAST BOY WHO WENT MISSING, AND SEES HER PAIN FIRST-HAND, CARLA BECOMES DETERMINED TO HELP CECE FINALLY LAY HER CHILD TO REST. BUT AS CARLA BEGINS TO READ THE DIARIES AND DISCOVERS MORE ABOUT THE DARK DAYS ALL THOSE YEARS BEFORE, SHE REALISES THE TRUTH MIGHT BE MORE COMPLICATED THAN SHE THOUGHT. THERE ARE PEOPLE IN THIS TOWN WHO WILL DO ANYTHING TO STOP HER DIGGING UP THE PAST, AND UNCOVERING THE TRUTH COULD CHANGE HER WORLD IN WAYS SHE NEVER IMAGINED

POSSIBLE... A TOTALLY GRIPPING, EMOTIONALLY CHARGED SUSPENSE NOVEL ABOUT SMALL-TOWN SECRETS AND THE PRICE OF FACING UP TO THE TRUTH. FANS OF LIANE MORIARTY, DIANE CHAMBERLAIN AND THE SILENT DAUGHTER WILL BE GRIPPED FROM THE VERY FIRST PAGE UNTIL THE FINAL, HEART-STOPPING TWIST. READERS LOVE JENNIFER HARVEY: "WOW, SOOOO MANY EMOTIONS WITH THIS OUTSTANDING BOOK... AWESOME, GRIPPING... HEARTBREAKING!!!" NETGALLEY REVIEWER, [?] [?] [?] [?] [?] "THRILLING. SUSPENSEFUL. TAUT. BREATHTAKINGLY TENSE. ADDICTIVE. WOW, THIS WAS A BOOK I COULDN'T PUT DOWN." NETGALLEY REVIEWER, [?] [?] [?] [?] [?] "A REAL HEART-WRENCHING READ... AN EMOTIONAL MYSTERY... NOT A BOOK TO MISS!" NETGALLEY REVIEWER "FAST PACED, VERY EMOTIONAL, TOTALLY HEARTBREAKING... I WAS JUST BLOWN AWAY!... AN UNFORGETTABLE STORY!" HEIDI LYNN BOOK REVIEWS, [?] [?] [?] [?] [?] "YOU WILL LOVE THIS BOOK!... BELIEVE ME WHEN I SAY YOU'LL NEVER SEE THE ENDING COMING." GOODREADS REVIEWER "WONDERFUL FROM START TO FINISH... AMAZING. STUNNING. BRILLIANT." RENITA D'SILVA, [?] [?] [?] [?] [?] "ENGAGING, TWISTY AND PAGE TURNING... I COULD NOT PUT THIS BOOK DOWN." GOODREADS REVIEWER, [?] [?] [?] [?] [?] "BEYOND AMAZING... THE CHARACTERS AND STORYLINE WERE FANTASTIC... A MUST READ." NETGALLEY REVIEWER, [?] [?] [?] [?] [?] "WHAT A GREAT READ! I FINISHED IT IN ONE DAY!... AN ENDING YOU DON'T EXPECT. HIGHLY RECOMMEND." NETGALLEY REVIEWER "IT'S HARD TO PUT HIS BOOK DOWN... WILL STAY WITH YOU FOR A LONG TIME." GOODREADS REVIEWER, [?] [?] [?] [?] [?] "THE PAGES TURN FAST, I WANTED TO KNOW THE TRUTH... I DID NOT SEE THAT ENDING COMING AT ALL. DON'T MISS THIS THRILLER." GOODREADS REVIEWER

A LIFE IN SECRETS SARAH HELM 2005 DESCRIBES THE LIFE AND ESPIONAGE CAREER OF VERA ATKINS, A TALENTED AGENT WHO ROSE TO THE TOP OF THE SPECIAL OPERATIONS EXECUTIVE (SOE), A BRITISH SECRET SERVICE DEDICATED TO AIDING RESISTANCE EFFORTS THROUGHOUT NAZI-OCCUPIED EUROPE, FOCUSING ON HER PERSONAL QUEST TO UNCOVER THE FATE OF TWELVE FEMALE AGENTS WHO VANISHED DURING THE WAR. 20,000 FIRST PRINTING.

THE SECRET LIFE OF VIOLET GRANT BEATRIZ WILLIAMS 2015-05-05 "PASSION, REDEMPTION, AND A BATTERED OLD SUITCASE FULL OF SECRETS: THE NEW YORK TIMES-BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF A HUNDRED SUMMERS RETURNS WITH ANOTHER ENGROSSING TALE OF LOST LOVE AND FEMALE AMBITION THAT CROSSES GENERATIONS. MANHATTAN, 1964. VIVIAN SCHUYLER, NEWLY GRADUATED FROM BRYN MAWR COLLEGE, HAS RECENTLY DEFIED THE PRIVILEGE OF HER STORIED OLD FIFTH AVENUE FAMILY TO DO THE UNTHINKABLE FOR A BUDDING KENNEDY-ERA SOCIALITE: BREAK INTO THE MAD MEN WORLD OF RAZOR-STYLISH METROPOLITAN MAGAZINE. BUT WHEN SHE RECEIVES A BULKY OVERSEAS PARCEL IN THE MAIL, THE UNEXPECTED CONTENTS DRAW HER INEXORABLY BACK INTO HER FAMILY'S PAST, AND THE HUSHED-OVER CRIME PASSIONNEL OF AN AUNT SHE NEVER KNEW, WHOSE EXISTENCE HAS BEEN WIPED FROM THE RECORD OF HISTORY. BERLIN, 1914. VIOLET SCHUYLER GRANT ENDURES HER MARRIAGE TO THE PHILANDERING AND DECADES-OLDER SCIENTIST DR. WALTER GRANT FOR ONE REASON: FOR ALL HIS FAULTS, HE PROVIDES THE NECESSARY SUPPORT TO HER LIMINAL POSITION AS A YOUNG AMERICAN FEMALE PHYSICIST IN PREWAR GERMANY. THE ARRIVAL OF DR. GRANT'S MAGNETIC FORMER STUDENT AT THE BEGINNING OF EUROPE'S FATEFUL SUMMER INTERRUPTS THIS DELICATE DETENTE. LIONEL RICHARDSON, A CAPTAIN IN THE BRITISH ARMY, CHALLENGES VIOLET TO ESCAPE HER HUSBAND'S PERVERSE HOLD, AND AS THE WORLD EDGES INTO WAR AND LIONEL'S SHOCKING TRUE MOTIVES BECOME EVIDENT, VIOLET IS TEMPTED TO TAKE THE ULTIMATE STEP TO SET HERSELF FREE AND SEEK A LIFE OF HER OWN CONVICTION WITH A MAN WHOSE CAUSE IS AS AUDACIOUS AS HER OWN. AS THE IRIDESCENT AND FRACTURED VIVIAN DIGS DEEPER INTO HER AUNT'S PAST AND THE MYSTERY OF HER ULTIMATE FATE, VIOLET'S STORY OF DETERMINATION AND DESIRE UNFOLDS, SHEDDING LIGHT ON THE DARKNESS OF HER YEARS ABROAD AND TEACHING VIVIAN TO REACH FORWARD WITH GRACE FOR THE AMBITIOUS FUTURE--AND THE LOVE--SHE WANTS MOST."--

THE SECRET, BOOK & SCONE SOCIETY ELLERY ADAMS 2017-10-31 FIRST IN THE MYSTERY SERIES FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES-BESTSELLING AUTHOR: "ANYONE WHO LOVES NOVELS THAT REVOLVE AROUND BOOKS WILL SAVOR THIS TASTY TREAT."—LIBRARY JOURNAL (STARRED REVIEW) A QUIRKY CLUB IN SMALL-TOWN NORTH CAROLINA HOLDS THE KEYS TO HEALTH, HAPPINESS, FRIENDSHIP—AND EVEN SOLVING A MURDER—ALL TO BE FOUND WITHIN THE PAGES OF THE RIGHT BOOK... STRANGERS FLOCK TO MIRACLE SPRINGS HOPING THE NATURAL HOT SPRINGS, FIVE-STAR CUISINE, AND RENOWNED SPA CAN CURE THEIR ILLS. IF NONE OF THAT WORKS, THEY OFTEN FIND THEIR WAY TO MIRACLE BOOKS, WHERE, OVER A FRESH-BAKED "COMFORT" SCONE, THEY EXCHANGE THEIR STORIES WITH OWNER NORA PENNINGTON IN RETURN FOR A CAREFULLY CHOSEN BOOK. THAT'S NORA'S SPECIAL TALENT—PRESCRIBING THE PERFECT NOVEL TO EASE A PERSON'S DEEPEST PAIN. SO WHEN A VISITING BUSINESSMAN REACHES OUT FOR GUIDANCE, NORA KNOWS EXACTLY HOW TO HELP. BUT BEFORE HE CAN KEEP THEIR APPOINTMENT, HE'S FOUND DEAD ON THE TRAIN TRACKS. STUNNED, NORA FORMS THE SECRET, BOOK, AND SCONE SOCIETY, A GROUP OF DAMAGED SOULS YEARNING TO EARN REDEMPTION BY HELPING OTHERS. TO JOIN, MEMBERS MUST DIVULGE THEIR DARKEST SECRET—THE TERRIBLE TRUTH THAT BROUGHT EACH OF THEM TO MIRACLE SPRINGS IN THE FIRST PLACE. NOW, DETERMINED TO UNCOVER THE TRUTH BEHIND THE BUSINESSMAN'S DEMISE, THE WOMEN MEET IN NORA'S COZY BOOKSTORE. AND AS THEY UNTANGLE A WEB OF CORRUPTION, THEY ALSO DISCOVER THEIR OWN COURAGE, PURPOSE, AND A SISTERHOOD THAT WILL CARRY THEM THROUGH EVERY CHALLENGE—PROVING IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO TURN THE PAGE AND START OVER... "ADAMS KICKS OFF A NEW SERIES FEATURING STRONG WOMEN, A TOUCH OF ROMANCE AND MYSTICISM, AND BOTH THE CUNNING PRESENT-DAY MYSTERY AND THE SLOWLY REVEALED SECRETS OF THE INTRIGUING HEROINES' PASTS."—KIRKUS REVIEWS

SUMMARY OF THE VANISHING HALF BY BRIT BENNETT CONDENSED BOOKS 2022-04-27 EXTENSIVE ANALYSIS OF BRIT BENNETT'S BOOK THE VANISHING HALF, INCLUDING DETAILED SUMMARIES OF THE CHAPTERS OF THE ORIGINAL BOOK. ORIGINAL BOOK PLOT: THE VIGNES TWIN SISTERS WILL ALWAYS BE IDENTICAL TO EACH OTHER. HOWEVER, AFTER GROWING UP TOGETHER IN A SMALL, SOUTHERN BLACK COMMUNITY AND FLEEING AT THE AGE OF SIXTEEN, EVERYTHING ABOUT THEIR LIVES AS ADULTS IS DIFFERENT: THEIR FAMILIES, THEIR COMMUNITIES, AND THEIR RACIAL IDENTITIES. MANY YEARS LATER, ONE SISTER LIVES IN THE SAME SOUTHERN TOWN WITH HER BLACK DAUGHTER THAT SHE ONCE TRIED TO FLEE. THE OTHER PRETENDS TO BE WHITE, AND HER WHITE HUSBAND HAS NO IDEA ABOUT HER PAST. DESPITE BEING SEPARATED BY THOUSANDS OF MILES AND JUST AS MANY LIES, THE TWINS' FATES REMAIN INTERTWINED. WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE NEXT GENERATION WHEN THE STORIES OF THEIR DAUGHTERS COLLIDE? BRIT BENNETT CREATES A STORY THAT IS BOTH A RIVETING, EMOTIONAL FAMILY STORY AND A BRILLIANT EXPLORATION OF THE AMERICAN HISTORY PASSING BY WEAVING TOGETHER MULTIPLE STRANDS AND GENERATIONS OF THIS FAMILY FROM THE DEEP SOUTH TO CALIFORNIA, FROM THE 1950S TO THE 1990S. THE VANISHING HALF CONSIDERS THE LONG-TERM IMPACT OF THE PAST ON A PERSON'S DECISIONS, DESIRES, AND EXPECTATIONS, AND EXPLORES SOME OF THE MANY REASONS AND REALMS IN WHICH PEOPLE FEEL COMPELLED TO LIVE AS SOMEONE OTHER THAN THEIR ANCESTORS.

THE VANISHING TRICK JENNI SPANGLER 2020-04-30 'A THRILLING, ORIGINAL, EVOCATIVE AND EERIE TALE - I ADORED IT!' MICHELLE HARRISON, AUTHOR OF A PINCH OF MAGIC 'A THRILLING PAGE-TURNER. MADAME PINCHBECK IS A GLORIOUSLY DICKENSIAN VILLAIN' ABI ELPHINSTONE, AUTHOR OF SKY SONG 'GHOSTS, GADGETS, LIKEABLE VILLAINS AND UNLIKELY HEROES: THE VANISHING TRICK IS A DARK AND DAZZLING ADVENTURE' EMMA CARROLL, AUTHOR OF LETTERS FROM THE LIGHTHOUSE 'A COMPLETELY ENTHRALLING TALE, OOZING WITH ATMOSPHERE AND ORIGINALITY' CATHERINE DOYLE, AUTHOR OF THE STORM KEEPER'S ISLAND 'JENNI SPANGLER IS THE NEXT BIG VOICE IN CHILDREN'S MAGICAL HISTORY NOVELS' LUCY POWRIE, AUTHOR OF THE PAPER & HEARTS SOCIETY 'DELICIOUSLY DARK AND ATMOSPHERIC ... I COULDN'T GET ENOUGH' NIZRANA FAROOK, AUTHOR OF THE GIRL WHO STOLE AN ELEPHANT 'A SPECTACULAR HEART-STOPPING ADVENTURE IN A DARK AND DANGEROUS VICTORIAN WORLD' TAMSIN WINTER, AUTHOR OF JEMIMA SMALL VERSUS THE UNIVERSE 'AN EVENTFUL GOTHIC ADVENTURE FULL OF SECRETS AND SURPRISES' SUNDAY TIMES BOOK OF THE WEEK? STEP INTO A WORLD OF SECRETS, FOLKLORE AND ILLUSIONS, WHERE NOTHING IS AS IT SEEMS AND MAGIC IS AT PLAY... MADAME AUGUSTINA PINCHBECK, TRAVELS THE COUNTRY CONJURING THE SPIRITS OF DEARLY DEPARTED LOVED ONES... FOR A PRICE. WHILST HER ABILITY TO CONTACT GHOSTS IS A GAME OF SMOKE AND MIRRORS, THERE IS REAL MAGIC BEHIND HER TRICKS TOO - IF YOU KNOW WHERE TO LOOK. THROUGH A MAGICAL TRADE, SHE PERSUADES CHILDREN TO PART WITH PRECIOUS OBJECTS, PROMISING TO USE HER POWERS TO HELP THEM. BUT PINCHBECK IS A DECEIVER, INSTEAD TURNING THEIR ITEMS INTO ENCHANTED CABINETS THAT BIND THE CHILDREN TO HER AND INTO WHICH SHE CAN VANISH AND SUMMON THEM AT WILL. WHEN PINCHBECK CAPTURES ORPHAN LEANDER, EVENTS ARE SET INTO MOTION THAT SEE HIM AND HIS NEW FRIENDS CHARLOTTE AND FELIX, IN A RACE AGAINST TIME TO BREAK PINCHBECK'S SPELL, BEFORE ONE OF THEM VANISHES FOREVER... #THEVANISHINGTRICK A HISTORICAL ADVENTURE WITH A MAGICAL TWIST FROM AN OUTSTANDING DEBUT TALENT. PERFECT FOR FANS OF MICHELLE HARRISON, SOPHIE ANDERSON AND EMMA CARROLL.

A LIFE IN SECRETS SARAH HELM 2008-12-10 FROM AN AWARD-WINNING JOURNALIST COMES THIS REAL-LIFE CLOAK-AND-DAGGER TALE OF VERA ATKINS, ONE OF BRITAIN'S PREMIERE SECRET AGENTS DURING WORLD WAR II. AS THE HEAD OF THE FRENCH SECTION OF THE BRITISH SPECIAL OPERATIONS EXECUTIVE, VERA ATKINS RECRUITED, TRAINED, AND MENTORED SPECIAL OPERATIVES WHOSE JOB WAS TO ORGANIZE AND ARM THE RESISTANCE IN NAZI-OCCUPIED FRANCE. AFTER THE WAR, ATKINS COURAGEOUSLY COMMITTED HERSELF TO A DANGEROUS SEARCH FOR TWELVE OF HER MOST CHERISHED WOMEN SPIES WHO HAD GONE MISSING IN ACTION. DRAWING ON PREVIOUSLY UNAVAILABLE SOURCES, SARAH HELM CHRONICLES ATKINS'S EXTRAORDINARY LIFE AND HER SINGULAR JOURNEY THROUGH THE CHAOS OF POST-WAR EUROPE. BRIMMING WITH INTRIGUE, HEROICS, HONOR, AND THE HORRORS OF WAR, A LIFE IN SECRETS IS THE STORY OF A GRAND, ELUSIVE WOMAN AND A TOUR DE FORCE OF INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM.

THE MISSING YEARS LEXIE ELLIOTT 2020-09-08 AILSA CALDER HAS INHERITED HALF OF A HOUSE. THE OTHER HALF BELONGS TO A MAN WHO DISAPPEARED WITHOUT A TRACE TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS AGO--HER FATHER. LEAVING LONDON BEHIND TO SETTLE THE INHERITANCE FROM HER MOTHER'S ESTATE, AILSA RETURNS TO HER CHILDHOOD HOME, NESTLED AMONG THE CRAGGY PEAKS OF THE SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS, JOINED BY THE HALF-SISTER WHO'S ALMOST A STRANGER TO HER. AILSA CAN'T ESCAPE THE CLAUSTROPHOBIC FEELING THAT THE HOUSE ITSELF IS WATCHING HER-- AS IF HER PAST HUNGERS TO CONSUME HER. SHE ALSO CAN'T IGNORE HOW THE NEIGHBORHOOD ANIMALS REFUSE TO SET FOOT WITHIN THE GATES OF THE GARDEN. WHEN THE FIRST NIGHTTIME INTRUDER SHOWS UP, AILSA FEARS THAT THE MANOR'S CARELESS RUGGED BEAUTY COULD COST HER EVERYTHING.

THE SECRETS THEY LEFT BEHIND LISSA MARIE REDMOND 2020-04-07 THREE MISSING GIRLS, NO LEADS, A VAULT OF DARK

SECRETS, AND A CASE THAT'S GETTING CHILLIER BY THE MINUTE, SET THE STAGE FOR THIS NAIL-BITING PROCEDURAL FROM FORMER COLD CASE HOMICIDE DETECTIVE AND ACCLAIMED AUTHOR LISSA MARIE REDMOND. THREE COLLEGE FRESHMEN GO MISSING FROM THEIR RURAL HOMETOWN OF KELLY'S FALLS WHILE ON CHRISTMAS BREAK. THEIR CELL PHONES, COATS, AND PURSES ARE LEFT BEHIND, BUT THE GIRLS HAVE DISAPPEARED WITHOUT A TRACE. AS THE DAYS TURN INTO WEEKS AND THE INVESTIGATION GROWS COLD, TWENTY-THREE YEAR OLD BUFFALO POLICE OFFICER SHEA O'CONNOR IS CALLED ON TO DIG UP LEADS UNDERCOVER. STILL BEARING THE EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL SCARS OF A PREVIOUS CASE, O'CONNOR INFILTRATES AS EIGHTEEN-YEAR-OLD SHEA ANDERSON, A COLLEGE FRESHMAN AND THE "NIECE" OF THE TOWN'S POLICE CHIEF. AS SHE BEGINS TO IMMERSE HERSELF IN THE MISSING GIRLS' WORLD, BEFRIENDING THEIR FRIENDS AND FAMILY, AND DOING WHATEVER IT TAKES TO MAINTAIN HER COVER, O'CONNOR REALIZES THE TRACK IS FAR COLDER THAN SHE INITIALLY THOUGHT. BUT WHOEVER WAS BEHIND THE GIRLS' DISAPPEARANCE WAS ONLY WARMING UP, AND THEY HAVE SET THEIR CROSSHAIRS DIRECTLY ON HER. THE HEAT IS ON FOR O'CONNOR AS SHE CLOSES IN ON THE SHOCKING TRUTH ABOUT WHAT REALLY HAPPENED THE NIGHT THE GIRLS VANISHED.

THE VANISHED QUEEN LISBETH CAMPBELL 2021-11-09 WHEN A COUNTRY IS HELD IN THRALL TO A VICIOUS, DESPOTIC KING, IT'S UP TO ONE WOMAN TO TAKE HIM DOWN IN THIS GORGEOUS LITERARY FANTASY DEBUT FROM LISBETH CAMPBELL. LONG AGO, QUEEN MIRANTHA VANISHED. KING KAROLJE CLAIMED IT WAS AN ASSASSINATION BY A NEIGHBORING KING, BUT EVERYONE KNEW IT WAS A LIE. HE HAD DISAPPEARED HER HIMSELF. BUT AFTER FINDING THE MISSING QUEEN'S DIARY, ANZA--IMPASSIONED BY HER FATHER'S UNJUST EXECUTION AND INSPIRED BY MIRANTHA'S WORDS--JOINS THE RESISTANCE GROUP TO OVERTHROW THE KING. WHEN AN ENCOUNTER WITH PRINCE ESVAR THRUSTS HER INTO A DANGEROUS GAME OF COURT POLITICS, ONE MISSTEP COULD LEAD TO A FATE WORSE THAN DEATH. ESVAR IS THE SECOND SON TO AN EVIL KING. TRAPPED UNDER HIS THUMB AND DESPERATE FOR A WAY OUT, A CHANCE MEETING WITH ANZA GIVES HIM THE OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN THE RESISTANCE. TOGETHER, THEY MIGHT HAVE THE LEVERAGE TO MOVE AGAINST THE KING--BUT IF THEY FAIL, THEIR DEATHS COULD MEAN A TOTAL LOSS OF FREEDOM FOR GENERATIONS TO FOLLOW. SET IN A WORLD WHERE RESISTANCE IS AS DANGEROUS AS IT IS IMPORTANT, THE VANISHED QUEEN IS A TALE OF THE COURAGE AND SACRIFICE IT REQUIRES TO TAKE ON A TYRANT.