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### Caedmon's Hymn

The very success of the Barbary Pirates, coupled with the simultaneous brutal repression of a revolt in the Sultan's Balkan provinces, have caused a sudden glut in the slave market not only in Marsa but also in Constantinople, Damascus, and Cairo.

### The Bold Heart

### Ptolemy's Almagest

Forecasting the Environmental Fate and Effects of Chemicals is the first book to address specifically the issue of forecasting in environmental toxicology and chemistry from a methodological, regulatory and practical perspective. It is becoming increasingly important for environmental toxicologists and chemists to be able to forecast the fate and effects of chemicals by using existing information to predict the future. Providing a unique and timely opportunity for active researchers and students to obtain in a single volume the 'state of the art' in this expanding field, this text discusses how forecasts can be made by: \* using ecotoxicological endpoints at different levels of biological organisation \* measuring and modelling chemical fate in biotic and abiotic environments \* adopting difference quantitative frameworks  
Written by an international team of scientists, this text will be essential reading for postgraduate and advanced undergraduate students studying ecotoxicology, toxicology, chemistry and environmental statistics as well as industrial and academic research scientists in environmental toxicology, environmental chemistry and those involved in risk management.

### Git Recipes

Check out this fine collection of some of the cutest Terriers we could find. It's no wonder these lovable creatures are so popular with dog lovers. Terriers are typically small, wiry, very active and fearless. Terrific Terriers captures these

darling little animals at their most adorable. This is book 6 in the Precious Pooches book series, and contains 40 full page color photographs.

## **Chemistry Review in 20 Minutes a Day**

With authors who are both accomplished researchers and educators, Vollhardt and Schore's Organic Chemistry takes a functional group approach with a heavy emphasis on understanding how the structure of a molecule determines how that molecule will function in chemical reactions. By understanding the connection between structure and function, students will be better prepared to understand mechanisms and solve practical problems in organic chemistry. The new edition brings in the latest research breakthroughs and applications, expanded problem-solving help, and new online homework options.

## **Euripides Bacchantes**

Offers a diagnostic test and twenty lessons covering vital chemistry skills.

## **Chemistry Success in 20 Minutes a Day**

Completely rewritten and updated to reflect current curriculums, this book will give you all the tools you need to master essential chemistry skills in no time at all. Whether you're preparing for an exam, tackling challenging homework problems for class, or just trying to refresh your skills, Chemistry Success in 20 Minutes a Day, Second Edition-packed with hands-on activities, real-life examples, step-by-step lessons, targeted practice exercises, and effective test-taking strategies-is your key to success.

## **Who Wants to be a Baby Again? (Vol 5)**

Whether you're relatively new to git or you need a refresher, or if you just need a quick, handy reference for common tasks in git, Git Recipes is just the reference book you need. With recipes to cover any task you can think of, including working with GitHub and git on BitBucket, Git Recipes shows you how to work with large repositories, new repositories, forks, clones, conflicts, differences, and it even gives you practical scenarios you may find yourself dealing with while using git. If you work with Git at all, you need this hands-on, practical reference for all things Git.

## **Master Braden's Houseboy**

"The inside story of the crime that changed Albuquerque forever"--Cover.

## **Terrific Terriers**

## **Fuel Cell Systems Explained**

## **The Rector of Veilbye**

## **Integral Calculus Made Easy**

Delphi Component Design tells the inside story of how and why Delphi was built, and how to make use of this information to build better Delphi components and applications. Whether you're a Delphi application writer yearning to expand into component writing, or an experienced Delphi component writer in pursuit of the smaller, faster, better Holy Grail, Delphi Component Design will help you sort out what Delphi Visual Component Library (VCL) services can do for you (and how they do it); what your components can do for VCL; what standard behaviors your component classes must implement; and how to take advantage of little-known VCL classes and services to dramatically improve your component's ease of use, code reuse, flexibility, and performance. This is the no-stone-untaken authority on building advanced Delphi components - from high-level views of how a component fits into the grand scheme of things to the minute details of how each link between a component and the rest of the system works; from design-time support tools to run-time performance optimizations.

## **The Boob Book**

Reece was a guitar player and a singer at his grandfather's pub in Dublin until someone betrays his secret. Once he was a happy and carefree young man, who finds himself on the streets and homeless. He meets a handsome stranger, who gives him hope that the world still has people with compassion, until he discovers the man may have compassion, but he is no softie. Conner hires Reece as his houseboy. Much to his shock, Conner Braden isn't only a garda (Irish police officer), but he is also a Dom! The two men are complete opposites, but that doesn't stop Reece from wanting to win his heart. What happens when Master Braden blurs the lines between employer and Dom when Reece is his employee? **AUTHOR'S NOTE:** This book contains mild BDSM elements including restraints, blindfolds, and spanking. While the story uses characters from The Irish Runaway Series, you can read this book as a standalone.

## **The Great Awakening**

This accessible textbook presents a fascinating review of cryptography and cryptanalysis across history. The text relates the earliest use of the monoalphabetic cipher in the ancient world, the development of the "unbreakable" Vigenère cipher, and an account of how cryptology entered the arsenal of military intelligence during the American Revolutionary War. Moving on to the American Civil War, the book explains how the Union solved the Vigenère ciphers used by the Confederates, before investigating the development of cipher machines throughout World War I and II. This is then followed by an exploration of cryptology in the computer age, from public-key cryptography and web security, to criminal cyber-attacks and cyber-warfare. Looking to the future, the role of cryptography in the Internet of Things is also discussed, along with the potential impact of quantum computing. **Topics and features:** presents a history of cryptology from ancient Rome to the present day, with a focus on cryptology in the 20th and 21st centuries; reviews the different types of cryptographic algorithms used to create

secret messages, and the various methods for breaking such secret messages; provides engaging examples throughout the book illustrating the use of cryptographic algorithms in different historical periods; describes the notable contributions to cryptology of Herbert Yardley, William and Elizebeth Smith Friedman, Lester Hill, Agnes Meyer Driscoll, and Claude Shannon; concludes with a review of tantalizing unsolved mysteries in cryptology, such as the Voynich Manuscript, the Beale Ciphers, and the Kryptos sculpture. This engaging work is ideal as both a primary text for courses on the history of cryptology, and as a supplementary text for advanced undergraduate courses on computer security. No prior background in mathematics is assumed, beyond what would be encountered in an introductory course on discrete mathematics.

## **Christabel**

Organic Chemistry: Structure and Function 8e maintains the classic framework with a logical organization that an organic molecule's structure will determine its function and strengthens a focus on helping students understand reactions, mechanisms, and synthetic analysis and their practical applications. The eighth edition presents a refined methodology, rooted in teaching expertise to promote student understanding and build problem solving skills. Paired with SaplingPlus, students will have access to an interactive and fully mobile ebook, interactive media features and well respected Sapling tutorial style problems—Where every problem emphasizes learning with hints, targeted feedback and detailed solutions as well as a unique pedagogically focused drawing tool.

## **Bill-Sticking**

## **Moments of Grace**

## **Delphi Component Design**

Seminal moments, rites of passage, crystalline vignettes--a memoir about growing up brown at the U.S./Mexico border. The tradition of retablo painting dates back to the Spanish Conquest in both Mexico and the U.S. Southwest. Humble ex-votos, retablos are usually painted on repurposed metal, and in one small tableau they tell the story of a crisis, and offer thanks for its successful resolution. In this uniquely framed memoir, playwright Octavio Solis channels his youth in El Paso, Texas. Like traditional retablos, the rituals of childhood and rites of passage are remembered as singular, dramatic events, self-contained episodes with life-changing reverberations. Living in a home just a mile from the Rio Grande, Octavio is a skinny brown kid on the border, growing up among those who live there, and those passing through on their way North. From the first terrible self-awareness of racism to inspired afternoons playing air trumpet with Herb Alpert, from an innocent game of hide-and-seek to the discovery of a Mexican girl hiding in the cotton fields, Solis reflects on the moments of trauma and transformation that shaped him into a man.

## The Foxes of Harrow

This book offers an innovative approach to healing and transformation through application of the 12 transpersonal drama therapy principles. It demonstrates a host of therapeutic techniques integrating the arts with meditation as clients heal traumatic memories and shift their identities from a conditioned, limited sense of self to the essential Self, or soul Self. Thirty-nine of Ms. Linden's students and colleagues demonstrate how they have applied the 12 principles to a wide array of populations in need. Collectively, they have reached all ages, many diverse backgrounds, and a range of life circumstances and health conditions? in private practice, community-based organizations, institutions, events, disaster relief and international venues. The chapters in this book span the entire reach of the field of drama therapy: from private practice work with individuals and families, to work in communities, in hospitals, prisons, refugee camps, inner cities, and the remnants of disasters; and finally to her transformational theatre work. Some of the most salient terms central to this approach to therapy are love, wholeness, heart and the sacred including and transcending the DSM and the latest CBT manual. Other words you will find: gratitude, heart, beauty. And this reveals another attribute of Saphira: throughout her career, she has never attempted to latch on to the newest concept or catchphrase in mental health . . . she has remained steady and true to who she is. And she has never made grand claims or launched marketing campaigns promoting her work as the answer to society's ills, for despite the expansive reach of her vision, Saphira has always been a deeply modest soul.

David Read Johnson: Co-founder of Drama Therapy and North American Drama Therapy Association In this book, Saphira Linden has taken on a brave task. She has thrown new light upon the often-asked question on the relationship between drama therapy and psychodrama. It is important to remember that drama in the Western world is based upon that of the Greeks. Saphira has given us her twelve principles of Transpersonal Drama Therapy. This points to the fact that therapy through drama is the core of her work, and that the spiritual dimension is essential to her approach.

Zerka Toeman Moreno: Co-founder, Psychodrama, American Society of Group Psychotherapy and Psychodrama In my work as an actress, I must view the characters I'm playing with the eyes of non-judgment. If I ever find myself condemning a character's actions or feelings, then I know that I am still standing in my own shoes instead of slipping into the shoes of the character. Once I had the shocking experience of having to find Medea in me; I could no longer condemn another for behavior that I knew was a latent possibility in my own psyche. This is the wisdom of the third principle of Transpersonal Drama Therapy. Role playing introduces you to parts of yourself that the ego would prefer not to recognize. When we meet those aspects of ourselves, there is a widening of consciousness and a greater understanding not only of ourselves, but of humanity at large.

Ellen Burstyn: Award-winning actress of stage, film and television, teacher and national best-selling author. In this stimulating volume, Saphira Linden has collected and introduced a rich assortment of perspectives on the healing and transformative potential of the theatrical arts. As Co Founder and Director of the Omega Theater, Ms. Linden possesses a wealth of experience in the application of the arts, and particularly theater, to the process of inner healing. As an experienced Sufi practitioner and guide, Ms. Linden's methodology is informed by the hallowed tradition of spiritual purification, transcendence, and realization known as tasawwuf, or Sufism.

Pir Zia Inayat-Khan, President and spiritual leader of the Sufi

Order International, a teacher of Sufism in the tradition of his grandfather, Hazrat Inayat Khan

## **Forecasting the Environmental Fate and Effects of Chemicals**

The classic Danish thriller dubbed 'The First Crime Novel.' The trial of Pastor Søren Jensen Quist of Vejlbj took place at Aarhus in 1626. The trial centered around the unexplained disappearance in 1607 of a farm laborer named Jesper Hovgaard who was employed at Pastor Quist's rectory. Fifteen years later, in 1622, human remains were unearthed on the grounds of the rectory. The bones were believed to belong to Hovgaard and word soon spread that the Reverend Quist had slaughtered him and tried to conceal the crime. During the police investigation, two local men, who had past animosity toward Quist, testified that they witnessed the cleric murder Hovgaard while in a drunken rage. The Reverend protested his innocence but was found guilty and executed by decapitation on July 20, 1626. In 2006, 'The Rector of Veilbye' was selected for inclusion in the Cultural Canon of Denmark by the Danish Ministry of Culture. During the ceremony, an official declared that, "the style illuminates elegiac pain and discomfort in an eerily intense drama, and the story is difficult to shake off." Renowned Scandinavian critic Søren Baggesen stated "Blicher is not just the first of Danish literature's great storytellers, he is one of the few tragic poets, Danish literature has ever had."

## **Seven plays**

Geoffrey Chaucer's most significant literary accomplishment may well be Troilus and Criseyde, a single, profoundly philosophical narrative of a tragic love affair. Set in ancient Troy and telling the story of the rise and fall, in love and war, of prince Troilus, Troilus and Criseyde is an archetypal medieval romance. The widowed Criseyde is a powerful woman, complex and intelligent, and the naïve Troilus is ambushed by his overwhelming love for her; Pandarus, Troilus's friend and the enabler of the couple's love, provides comic relief. Chaucer used his familiarity with the works of Giovanni Boccaccio and Benoît de Sainte-Maure to build his own historical world, depicting pagan beliefs and myths with sympathy and imagination. This edition is based on the Corpus Christi College Cambridge manuscript of Troilus and Criseyde; the manuscript text is conservatively edited and the original Middle English text is used. Difficult words are conveniently glossed in the margins, and explanatory footnotes help with references and allusions.

## **Troilus and Criseyde**

Sharing our stories, who we are, what we love, how we feel, why we fear, connects us to one another. Weaving moments of grace with spiritual practices that have grounded her through life's challenges, Laurie Blefeld invites the reader into her sacramental stories. You will find yourself in Laurie's stories and reclaim bits and pieces of your own. "Our days are a stream of moments - some devastating, some down to earth and some filled with ineffable meaning. Laurie Blefeld has written a book full of tender moments that warm the heart and remind us to be grateful for and conscious of how laced with grace our lives really are. This is a book to enjoy

and treasure."-Gunilla Norris, author of *Sheltered in the Heart and Companions on the Way: A Little Book of Heart-full Practices* "Laurie's transformational stories, told in her authentic and lyrical voice, are evocative of the highs and lows in everyone's life. Laurie's generous prose connects us to her family's living history - and through it to our own. She is a natural spiritual teacher. *Moments of Grace* is luminous, warm, comforting and filled with such good practices."- Dr. Joan Borysenko, from the Foreword

## **The Insanity File**

Interpreting the Great Awakening of the eighteenth century was in large part the work of Jonathan Edwards; whose writings on the subject defined the revival tradition in America. Moving from sensitive descriptions of "the Surprising work of God" in conversion to a consuming quest for the essence of true religion, and threading his way through mounting controversies over "errors in doctrine and disorders in practice," Edwards sought to locate an authentic core of evangelical experience, to define it in terms of biblical faith and psychological insight, and to defend it against both overheated zealous and rationalistic critics. The tracts that unfold his thoughts, presented here (with related correspondence ) for the first time in accurate critical texts, document a movement so significant for the American character that it has been called "our national conversion." In a carefully researched introduction, C.C. Goen identifies the "Arminian threat" to which the Northampton pastor responded at the onset of the Awakening, and traces Edwards' understanding of vital religion as it developed in the ambiguous context of revivalism. Mr. Goen's study also illuminates little-known aspects of *A Faithful Narrative* and describes the haphazard way in which that important work reached its eager audience. C.C. Goen, author of *Revivalism and Separatism in New England, 1740-1800* (1962), is professor of church history at the Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C.

## **What Social Classes Owe to Each Other**

From the reviews of the First Edition: "The book has admirably met its stated goal. The whole gamut of surface and colloid science has been presented in a comprehensive manner without any undue oversimplification. The author should be congratulated for his clarity." -*Advanced Materials Now* in its second edition, this work remains the single most useful introduction available to the complex area of surface and colloids science. Industry expert Drew Myers walks readers through concepts, theories, and applications-keeping the mathematics to a minimum and presenting real-world case studies to illustrate key technological and biological processes. He substantially reorganizes and updates the material to reflect the current state of knowledge in the field, offering new chapters on absorption and biological systems in addition to the important areas of colloid stability, emulsions and foams, monolayer films, surfactants, and wetting. This revision also boasts an improved index, more than 200 new line drawings, general and specific chapter bibliographies, and end-of-chapter problems. Geared to scientists, technologists, and students dealing with colloidal and surface systems and their numerous industrial applications, the book imparts an understanding of the fundamental aspects of surfaces, interfaces, and colloids, which is essential for effective solutions in diverse areas of chemistry, physics, biology, medicine, engineering,

and material sciences.

## **Escaping the Arroyo**

Ptolemy's Almagest is one of the most influential scientific works in history. A masterpiece of technical exposition, it was the basic textbook of astronomy for more than a thousand years, and still is the main source for our knowledge of ancient astronomy. This translation, based on the standard Greek text of Heiberg, makes the work accessible to English readers in an intelligible and reliable form. It contains numerous corrections derived from medieval Arabic translations and extensive footnotes that take account of the great progress in understanding the work made in this century, due to the discovery of Babylonian records and other researches. It is designed to stand by itself as an interpretation of the original, but it will also be useful as an aid to reading the Greek text.

## **Intermediate Accounting**

## **Barbary Slavery**

## **Absalom and Achitophel**

It is arguably the most common theme in ABDL fiction – becoming a baby again, perhaps forever and perhaps completely so. For many Adult Babies, the idea of being able to give into our wishes and desires completely and without restriction is a wonderful concept and one that grabs our attention. For the vast majority of adult babies, the expression of our inner infant is complicated by endless compromises and limits on what we can actually do. Our partners limit us. Our finances limit us. Social acceptance – and the lack thereof – limits us. Friends, employment, family and other issues limit us. But fiction can overcome all of these. In fiction, we can bend the rules of probability, break the bounds of social norms and erase the limits that otherwise keep us from expressing our inner infancy the way we wish. In these three books, you will read of adults that become complete babies once more. If they are not originally completely willing to become babies again, they quickly discover the joys, the peace and comfort of diapers, baby clothes, bottle feeds and baby toys. Infancy is entrancing to almost everyone, but for those special people – adult babies – infancy is only a diaper-change away and stories of grownups reverting to babyhood is less fiction than an innate desire that we express on the pages of a book. Enjoy your stay in the world of refreshing infancy. BOOKS: Melissa and her mother find a baby Aunt Janet's Reluctant Baby Baby Jacob and his Psychiatrist

## **Organic Chemistry I as a Second Language**

Focuses on organisational goals and those of other stakeholders and society at large. This book provides an insight into the potential benefits and pitfalls, expectations and concerns of advancing a critical view of HRD in practice. It is intended for lecturers, students and practitioners who are aching for a critical

analysis.

## **A Man's Woman**

Absalom and Achitophel By John Dryden While at college he had written some not very successful verse. His Heroic Stanzas on the Death of Oliver Cromwell [1658] was his first considerable poem. It was followed, in 1660, by Astræa Redux, in honour of the Restoration. The interval of 18 months had been crowded with events, and though much has been written against his apparent change of opinion, it is fair to remember that the whole cast of his mind led him to be a supporter of de facto authority. In 1663 he married Lady Elizabeth Howard, daughter of the Earl of Berkshire. We are delighted to publish this classic book as part of our extensive Classic Library collection. Many of the books in our collection have been out of print for decades, and therefore have not been accessible to the general public. The aim of our publishing program is to facilitate rapid access to this vast reservoir of literature, and our view is that this is a significant literary work, which deserves to be brought back into print after many decades. The contents of the vast majority of titles in the Classic Library have been scanned from the original works. To ensure a high quality product, each title has been meticulously hand curated by our staff. Our philosophy has been guided by a desire to provide the reader with a book that is as close as possible to ownership of the original work. We hope that you will enjoy this wonderful classic work, and that for you it becomes an enriching experience.

## **In Times of Peril**

Featuring 30 types of breasts, The Boob Book is an illustrated celebration of womanhood and the boobs that come with it. Scattered throughout are boob miscellany: a boob personality flow chart, boob facts, boob self-care tips, a roundup of bras, types of nipples, a boob doodle, and illustrated ways we show off the goods. This joyful book features breasts of all colors and sizes—from "The Handful" to "The Mom-To-Be" to "The Small but Mighty"—showing women that every boob type is weird, beautiful, and natural. • An illustrated love letter to a girl's breast friend • Filled with fun and interactive boob-related miscellany, like a boob personality test (are you a "Chillaxer" or a "Handful?"), boob facts, and breast self-care tips • Light, celebratory, and a little cheeky—but ultimately sincere Let's hear it for our bosom buddies. Our mammary mamas. Our breasts-in-arms. From small and mighty to large and in charge to long, short, hairy, bumpy, or any boobs in between, this book uplifts them all. • A perfect book for women of all generations—from friends to mothers and daughters—or anyone who wants to send some extra support and love to their ladies • Ideal for anyone who needs a boob-size boost • Great for those who enjoyed Feminist Activity Book by Gemma Correll, Celebrating You: (And the Beautiful Person You Are) by M. H. Clark, and Gross Anatomy: Dispatches from the Front (and Back) by Mara Altman

## **Surfaces, Interfaces, and Colloids**

## **The Heart and Soul of Psychotherapy**

Get a Better Grade in Organic Chemistry Organic Chemistry may be challenging, but that doesn't mean you can't get the grade you want. With David Klein's Organic Chemistry as a Second Language: Translating the Basic Concepts, you'll be able to better understand fundamental principles, solve problems, and focus on what you need to know to succeed. Here's how you can get a better grade in Organic Chemistry: Understand the Big Picture. Organic Chemistry as a Second Language points out the major principles in Organic Chemistry and explains why they are relevant to the rest of the course. By putting these principles together, you'll have a coherent framework that will help you better understand your textbook. Study More Efficiently and Effectively Organic Chemistry as a Second Language provides time-saving study tips and a clear roadmap for your studies that will help you to focus your efforts. Improve Your Problem-Solving Skills Organic Chemistry as a Second Language will help you develop the skills you need to solve a variety of problem types-even unfamiliar ones! Need Help in Your Second Semester? Get Klein's Organic Chemistry II as a Second Language!  
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## Language Network

Bill-Sticking is a short story by Charles Dickens. Charles John Huffam Dickens (7 February 1812 - 9 June 1870) was an English writer and social critic. He created some of the world's most memorable fictional characters and is generally regarded as the greatest novelist of the Victorian period. During his life, his works enjoyed unprecedented fame, and by the twentieth century his literary genius was broadly acknowledged by critics and scholars. His novels and short stories continue to be widely popular. Born in Portsmouth, England, Dickens was forced to leave school to work in a factory when his father was thrown into debtors' prison. Although he had little formal education, his early impoverishment drove him to succeed. Over his career he edited a weekly journal for 20 years, wrote 15 novels, five novellas and hundreds of short stories and non-fiction articles, lectured and performed extensively, was an indefatigable letter writer, and campaigned vigorously for children's rights, education, and other social reforms. Dickens sprang to fame with the 1836 serial publication of *The Pickwick Papers*. Within a few years he had become an international literary celebrity, famous for his humour, satire, and keen observation of character and society. His novels, most published in monthly or weekly installments, pioneered the serial publication of narrative fiction, which became the dominant Victorian mode for novel publication. The installment format allowed Dickens to evaluate his audience's reaction, and he often modified his plot and character development based on such feedback. For example, when his wife's chiropodist expressed distress at the way Miss Mowcher in *David Copperfield* seemed to reflect her disabilities, Dickens went on to improve the character with positive features.

## History of Cryptography and Cryptanalysis

### Retablos

## Critical Human Resource Development

### Organic Chemistry

Ewan was a battle-weary warrior with haunted dreams. He no longer believed in love. As Scotland's greatest warrior and heir to the earldom of Mull, few dared to cross swords with Ewan MacLean. But the price he paid for his fearsome reputation was a heavy one. To survive, he buried his emotions and became only the warrior, riding from battle to battle with his men to protect Scotland from threats within and without her borders and letting himself feel nothing else. But when his right-hand man, Alec Montgomery, is caught dallying with a powerful Lord's daughter, a trap is set. And both Ewan and Alec find themselves in an English prison, their necks headed for the noose. On the Isle of Skye, the raven-haired Merry MacLeod spends her days caring for the clan elderly and hurtling across the moors on the back of her black stallion. A high-spirited, adventurous lass, she is no longer troubled by childhood memories of the day the braw lad, Ewan MacLean, rescued her from her husband, the cruel MacDonald. But when she hears the very same Ewan is now confined in an English prison, she disguises herself as a lad and sets out to repay her debt. After a bold, mysterious youth rescues Ewan and his men from the English, the group swiftly makes their way back to Scotland. But no sooner embarked on their journey home, a young Prince James sounds the call to arms, rises against his father, King James III of Scotland, and plunges Scotland into a dangerous civil war. But as they journey to join the prince, both Ewan and Alec discover their rescuer's secret—and both men find themselves falling unexpectedly in love with a raven-haired beauty.

### Organic Chemistry

In 1875 Robert Todd Lincoln caused his mother, Mary Todd Lincoln, to be committed to an insane asylum. Based on newly discovered manuscript materials, this book seeks to explain how and why. In these documents—marked by Robert Todd Lincoln as the "MTL Insanity File"—exists the only definitive record of the tragic story of Mary Todd Lincoln's insanity trial. The book that results from these letters and documents addresses several areas of controversy in the life of the widow of Abraham Lincoln: the extent of her illness, the fairness of her trial, and the motives of those who had her committed for treatment. Related issues include the status of women under the law as well as the legal and medical treatment of insanity. Speculating on the reasons for her mental condition, the authors note that Mrs. Lincoln suffered an extraordinary amount of tragedy in a relatively few years. Three of her four sons died very young, and Abraham Lincoln was assassinated. After the death of her son Willie she maintained a darkly rigorous mourning for nearly three years, prompting the president to warn her that excessive woe might force him to send her to "that large white house on the hill yonder," the government hospital for the insane. Mrs. Lincoln also suffered anxiety about money, charting an exceptionally erratic financial course. She had spent lavishly during her husband's presidency and at his death found herself deeply in debt. She had purchased trunkfuls of drapes to hang over phantom windows. 84 pairs of kid gloves in less than a month, and \$3,200 worth of jewelry in the three months

preceding Lincoln's assassination. She followed the same erratic course for the rest of her life, creating in herself a tremendous anxiety. She occasionally feared that people were trying to kill her, and in 1873 she told her doctor that an Indian spirit was removing wires from her eyes and bones from her cheeks. Her son assembled an army of lawyers and medical experts who would swear in court that Mrs. Lincoln was insane. The jury found her insane and in need of treatment in an asylum. Whether the verdict was correct or not, the trial made Mary Lincoln desperate. Within hours of the verdict she would attempt suicide. In a few months she would contemplate murder. Since then every aspect of the trial has been criticized—from the defense attorney to the laws in force at the time. Neely and McMurtry deal with the trial, the commitment of Mary Todd Lincoln, her release, and her second trial. An appendix features letters and fragments by Mrs. Lincoln from the "Insanity File." The book is illustrated by 25 photographs.

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