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Morning's at Seven Penguin

In the brave new Japan of the 1870s, Taka and Nobu meet as children and fall in love; but their relationship will test the limits of society. Unified after a bitter civil war, Japan is rapidly turning into a modern country with rickshaws, railways and schools for girls. Commoners can marry their children into any class, and the old hatred between north and south is over - or so it seems. Taka is from the powerful southern Satsuma clan which now dominates the country, and her father, General Kitaoka, is a leader of the new government. Nobu, however, is from the northern Aizu clan, massacred by the Satsuma in the civil war. Defeated and reduced to poverty, his family has sworn revenge on the Satsuma. Taka and Nobu's love is unacceptable to both their families and must be kept secret, but what they cannot foresee is how quickly the tables will turn. Many southern samurai become disillusioned with the new regime, which has deprived them of their swords, status and honour. Taka's father abruptly leaves Tokyo and returns to the southern island of Kyushu, where trouble is brewing. When he and his clansmen rise in rebellion, the government sends its newly-created army to put them down. Nobu and his brothers have joined this army, and his brothers now see their chance of revenge on the Satsuma. But Nobu will have to fight and maybe kill Taka's father and brother, while Taka now has to make a terrible choice - between her family and the man she loves ...

Handbook of Patristic Exegesis Univ of California Press

Saggio su Yukio Mishima, letteratura, nazionalismi, la figura divina shintoista dell'Imperatore collante della nazione fino al '45; parallelismo storico-letterario in cui la decadenza morale del Giappone fu direttamente proporzionale al suo sviluppo economico-sociale. Il cinema di Mishima, regista, attore di film ispirati a sue opere, speculare alla sinistra. La politica, Tate-No Kai aristocratico confronto di idee Mishima ed il Mov. Stud. all'università. Appello all'unità del Giappone sotto la figura religiosa e politica dell'Imperatore Hiro Hito, contro le vecchie strutture politiche conservatrici onnidirezionali. A destra e a sinistra, due percorsi politici paralleli, una destra radicale e una sinistra estrema marxista-libertaria rivoluzionarie che dal conte Malynsky al socialista nazionale Ikki al Movimento Studentesco del '68, quando le rette parvero incontrarsi pericolosamente per il sistema politico dello status quo. Il sistema "rimise le cose al suo posto", cassando le ambizioni politico-culturali, provocando in esse fratture. Dopo il seppuku di Mishima l'alterazione della lotta politica: università sindacato violenza politica dello Zengakuren e Nihon Sekigun.

Across A Bridge Of Dreams UNESCO Publishing

The Getty Museum's collection of drawings was begun in 1981 with the purchase of a Rembrandt nude and has since become an important repository of European works from the fifteenth through the nineteenth century. As in the first volume devoted to the collection (published in 1988 in English and Italian editions), the text is here organized first by national school, then alphabetically by artist, with individual works arranged chronologically. For each drawing, the authors provide a discussion of the work's style, dating, iconography, and relationship to other works, as well as provenance and a complete bibliography.

Choke Point Random House

In Carlotto's The Campagna Trail, Inspector Campagna uses an old friendship with notorious drug dealer Roby Pizzo in a Machiavellian attempt to keep the peace. But when an interfering new police chief demands Campagna bring down the Mafioso who heads Pizzo's gang, Campagna must use every weapon he has to save his job - and his life. Meanwhile in Carofiglio's The Speed of the Angel, a writer in crisis strikes up an unlikely friendship with a mysterious woman he meets in a quiet seaside café. As their conversations deepen, and their obsessions darken, their drug-fuelled relationship begins to spiral, in this haunting tale of damnation and redemption. Finally in De Cataldo's The White Powder Dance, the city police are put on the trail of a baby-faced new graduate in the Milanese banking sector. As the pursuit accelerates through back streets and skyscrapers, it becomes clear that there is more to organised crime than getting your hands dirty.

The History of Science and Technology First Avenue Editions
 John Rain is back. And the assassin is up against his most formidable enemy yet: the nexus of political, military, media, and corporate factions known only as the Oligarchy.

Franco-Gallia Penguin

When an Italian kingpin falls, a battle of successors begins in this "razor-sharp political thriller set in Berlusconi's Rome" (The New Statesman). Things are changing in Rome. The new Pope, determined to reform the Vatican, proclaims an extraordinary Jubilee year, one "of Mercy." A new center-left government replaces its disgraced predecessor. And with the underworld kingpin Samurai in jail, his protégé Sebastiano Laurenti plans to establish himself as his designated successor. But to do it, he must reckon with a new generation of gangsters and racketeers edging in on the corrupt profits to be made off the Jubilee's public works. Meanwhile, Laurenti must also keep an eye on the ambitious newly elected politician Chiara Visone. As the sharks circle and the street-dogs fight, a tenuous hope endures. An incorruptible politician of the old left is about to forge an unlikely

alliance with a young bishop who refuses to play the Vatican's power games. Sharp, dark, and taut, The Night of Rome is fiction that sails dangerously close to the wind of current events.

Requiem for an Assassin Springer Nature

Through this comprehensive Handbook, the reader will obtain a balanced and cohesive picture of the Early Church. It gives an overall view of the reception, transmission, and interpretation of the Bible in the life and thought of the Church during the first five centuries of Christianity.

Panorama Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Beginning in 1990, thousands of Spanish speakers emigrated to Japan. A Cultural History of Spanish Speakers in Japan focuses on the intellectuals, literature, translations, festivals, cultural associations, music (bolero, tropical music, and pop, including reggaeton), dance (flamenco, tango and salsa), radio, newspapers, magazines, libraries, and blogs produced in Spanish, in Japan, by Latin Americans and Spaniards who have lived in that country over the last three decades. Based on in-depth research in archives throughout the country as well as field work including several interviews, Japanese-speaking Mexican scholar Araceli Tinajero uncovers a transnational, contemporary cultural history that is not only important for today but for future generations.

The Last Assassin Createspace Independent Publishing Platform
 In this age of genetic engineering and global warming, it is more important than ever to understand the history and current trends of science and technology. With so much information out there, though, it's hard to know where to start. That's where The History of Science and Technology -- the most comprehensive and up-to-date chronology of its kind -- comes in. From the first stone tools to the first robot surgery, this easy-to-read, handy reference book offers more than seven thousand concise entries organized within ten major historical periods and categorized by subject, such as archaeology, biology, computers, food and agriculture, medicine and health, materials, and transportation. You can follow the world's scientific and technological feats forward or backward, year by year, and subject by subject. Under 8400 BCE Construction, you will discover that the oldest known wall was built in Jericho. Jump to 1454 Communication and you will learn about Johann Gutenberg's invention of movable type. Take an even larger leap to 2002 Computers and find out about the invention of the Earth Simulator, a Japanese supercomputer. The History of Science and Technology answers all the what, when, why, and how questions about our world's greatest discoveries and inventions: How are bridges built? When were bifocal eyeglasses invented and by whom? What medical discovery led to the introduction of sterilization, vaccines, and antibiotics? What is the PCR (polymerase chain reaction) process, and why is it one of the pillars of the biotechnology revolution? Not only can you

discover how our world came to be and how it works, but with cross-referenced entries you can also trace many intricate and exciting connections across time. Highly browsable yet richly detailed, expertly researched and indexed, *The History of Science and Technology* is the perfect desktop reference for both the science novice and the technologically advanced reader alike.

Far libro HarperCollins

Explores the psychophysical and neurophysical determinants of cross-linguistic constraints on the shape of color lexicons.

European Drawings 2 BoD - Books on Demand

Blackmailed by a rogue CIA operative to carry out three assassinations or see his best friend murdered, reluctant killer-for-hire John Rain struggles with numerous moral dilemmas as well as his growing certainty that the operative is hiding a more sinister agenda. 125,000 first printing.

Transnational Organized Crime Harper Collins

John Rain, padre giapponese e madre americana, un reduce del Vietnam, esperto di arti marziali. Veloce e silenzioso, prudente ed efficace, ha imparato a uccidere senza lasciare tracce: per le autorità i suoi omicidi sono incidenti o morti naturali. Ora ha bruciato le sue coperture e c'è il rischio che la CIA - con cui ha qualche conto in sospeso - si metta sulle sue tracce. Si rifugiato a Osaka, dove per lo scova Tatsu, veterano del Keisatsucho, la polizia giapponese. Ha bisogno di un favore, uno di quei favori che richiedono le doti di un impeccabile professionista. Ma John Rain ormai troppo pericoloso: abilissimo e conosce troppi segreti. Si ritrova così cacciatore e preda, al centro di una faida tra i servizi segreti americani e la yakuza giapponese, in un mondo dove la corruzione è la regola. Alba nera su Tokyo mostra come i servizi segreti usino le nuove tecnologie per rintracciare, sorvegliare ed eliminare i loro obiettivi, in un Oriente molto lontano da ogni cliché.

The Useful Plants of the Island of Guam Europa Editions

Trying to end his career as a hired assassin, Japanese American John Rain goes underground, only to be approached by Japanese FBI agent Tatsu to eliminate a sociopathic killer who could tip the balance of power in Japan toward the mafia. Reprint.

Trepanation, Trephining and Craniotomy Random House

Edogawa Ranpo (1894-1965) was a great admirer of Edgar Allan Poe and like Poe drew on his penchant for the grotesque and the bizarre to explore the boundaries of conventional thought. Best known as the founder of the modern Japanese detective novel, Ranpo wrote for a youthful audience, and a taste for playacting and theatre animates his stories. His writing is often associated with the era of ero guro nonsense (erotic grotesque nonsense), which accompanied the rise of mass culture and mass media in urban Japan in the 1920s. Characterized by an almost lurid fascination with simulacra and illusion, the era's sensibility permeates Ranpo's first major work and one of his finest achievements, *Strange Tale of Panorama Island* (Panoramato kidan), published in 1926. Ranpo's panorama island is filled with cleverly designed optical illusions: a staircase rises into the sky;

white feathered "birds" speak in women's voices and offer to serve as vehicles; clusters of naked men and women romp on slopes carpeted with rainbow-colored flowers. His fantastical utopia is filled with entrancing music and strange sweet odors, and nothing is ordinary, predictable, or boring. The novella reflected the new culture of mechanically produced simulated realities (movies, photographs, advertisements, stereoscopic and panoramic images) and focused on themes of the doppelgänger and appropriated identities: its main character steals the identity of an acquaintance. The novella's utopian vision, argues translator Elaine Gerbert, mirrors the expansionist dreams that fed Japan's colonization of the Asian continent, its ending an eerie harbinger of the collapse of those dreams. Today just as a new generation of technologies is transforming the way we think—and becoming ever more invasive and pervasive—Ranpo's work is attracting a new generation of readers. In the past few decades his writing has inspired films, anime, plays, and manga, and many translations of his stories, essays, and novels have appeared, but to date no English-language translation of *Panoramato kidan* has been available. This volume, which includes a critical introduction and notes, fills that gap and uncovers for English-language readers an important new dimension of an ever stimulating, provocative talent.

Nuclear Italy BRILL

In the 21st Century, a drug that guarantees the birth of boys--originally developed to reduce Third World populations--leads to a worldwide shortage of women. The result is an explosion of male violence, wars, and the sale of women on the black market. The narrator is a French entomologist trying to eradicate the drug.

The First Century After Beatrice Oxford University Press
Trees have been around for more than 370 million years, and today there are about 80 thousand species of them, occupying 3.5 billion hectares worldwide, including 250 million ha of commercial plantations. While forests can provide tremendous environmental, social, and economic benefits to nations, they also affect the hydrologic cycle in different ways. As the demand for water grows and local precipitation patterns change due to global warming, plantation forestry has encountered an increasing number of water-related conflicts worldwide. This document provides a country-by-country summary of the current state of knowledge on the relationship between forest management and water resources. Based on available research publications, the Editor-in-Chief of this document contacted local scientists from countries where the impact of forest management on water resources is an issue, inviting them to submit a chapter.

The Sunshine Cruise Company Thomas & Mercer

Now a major motion picture nominated for nine Academy Awards. Narrative of Solomon Northup, a Citizen of New-York, Kidnapped in Washington City in 1841, and Rescued in 1853. Twelve Years a Slave by Solomon Northup is a memoir of a black man who was born free in New York state but kidnapped, sold into slavery and

kept in bondage for 12 years in Louisiana before the American Civil War. He provided details of slave markets in Washington, DC, as well as describing at length cotton cultivation on major plantations in Louisiana.

Graveyard of Memories HarperCollins

Antonio Giangrande, orgoglioso di essere diverso. ODIO OSTENTAZIONE ED IMPOSIZIONE. Si nasce senza volerlo. Si muore senza volerlo. Si vive una vita di prese per il culo. Tu esisti se la tv ti considera. La Tv esiste se tu la guardi. I Fatti son fatti oggettivi naturali e rimangono tali. Le Opinioni sono atti soggettivi cangianti. Le opinioni se sono oggetto di discussione ed approfondimento, diventano testimonianze. Ergo: Fatti. Con me le Opinioni cangianti e contrapposte diventano fatti. Con me la Cronaca diventa Storia. Noi siamo quello che altri hanno voluto che diventassimo. Facciamo in modo che diventiamo quello che noi avremmo (rafforzativo di saremmo) voluto diventare. Rappresentare con verità storica, anche scomoda ai potenti di turno, la realtà contemporanea, rapportandola al passato e proiettandola al futuro. Per non reiterare vecchi errori. Perché la massa dimentica o non conosce. Denuncio i difetti e caldeggio i pregi italiani. Perché non abbiamo orgoglio e dignità per migliorarci e perché non sappiamo apprezzare, tutelare e promuovere quello che abbiamo ereditato dai nostri avi. Insomma, siamo bravi a farci del male e qualcuno deve pur essere diverso!

Zero Sum transcript Verlag

Hoping to reconcile with the mother of his child, reluctant contract killer John Rain inadvertently places them in the path of dangerous enemies and is forced to recruit the help of his nemesis from the Japanese FBI and an ex-Marine sniper. Reprint. Limes: Mishima e i due lati del radicalismo Youcanprint
Susan Frobisher and Julie Wickham are turning sixty. They live in a small Dorset town and have been friends since school. On the surface Susan has it all - a lovely house and a long marriage to accountant Barry. Life has not been so kind to Julie, but now, with several failed businesses and bad marriages behind her, she has found stability: living in a council flat and working in an old people's home. Then Susan's world is ripped apart when Barry is found dead in a secret flat - or rather, a porn dungeon. It turns out Barry has been leading a fantastical double life as a swinger. He's run up a fortune in debts. The bank is going to take Susan's house and she'll lose everything she's never worked for. Until, under the influence of an octogenarian gangster named Nails, the women decide that, rather than let the bank take the house, they're going to take the bank. With the help of several thrill-crazy, wheelchair-bound friends they pull off the daring robbery, but soon find that getting away with it is not so easy. Setting off across Europe, the team pick up a teenage hitchhiker, get entangled with Interpol and the Russian Mafia, and discover that, far from winding down, their lives are only just beginning. *The Sunshine Cruise Company* is a sharp satire on friendship, ageing, the English middle-classes, the housing bubble and group sex: Thelma and Louise meets the *Lavender Hill Mob*, written and directed by Tarantino.