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**The Dragon Murder Case (A Philo Vance Detective Story)** S. S. Van Dine 2016-01-15 This early work by S. S. Van Dine was originally published in 1933 and we are now republishing it with a brand new introduction. 'The Dragon Murder Case' is one of Van Dine's novels of crime and mystery. S. S. Van Dine was born Willard Huntington Wright in Charlottesville, Virginia in 1888. He attended St. Vincent College, Pomona College and Harvard University, but failed to graduate, leaving to cultivate contacts he had made in the literary world. At the age of twenty-one, Wright began his professional writing career as literary editor of the Los Angeles Times. In 1926, Wright published his first S. S. Van Dine novel, The Benson Murder Case. Wright went on to write eleven more mysteries. The first few books about his upper-class amateur sleuth, Philo Vance, were so popular that Wright became wealthy for the first time in his life. His later books declined in popularity as the reading public's tastes in mystery fiction changed, but during the late twenties and early thirties his work was very successful.

**The Philo Vance Megapack** S.S. Van Dine 2013-09-19 Philo Vance is a fictional character featured in 12 crime novels written by S. S. Van Dine (the pen name of Willard Huntington Wright), published in the 1920s and 1930s. During that time, Vance was immensely popular in books, movies, and on the radio. He was portrayed as a stylish, even foppish dandy, a New York bon vivant possessing a highly intellectual bent. The novels were chronicled by his friend Van Dine (who appears as a kind of Dr. Watson figure in the books as well as the author). Also included is the bonus essay, "Twenty Rules for Writing Detective Stories." Novels included are: The Benson Murder Case (1926) The "Canary" Murder Case (1927) The Greene Murder Case (1928) The Bishop Murder Case (1928) The Scarab Murder Case (1930) The Kennel Murder Case (1933) The Dragon Murder Case (1933) The Casino Murder Case (1934) The Garden Murder Case (1935) The Kidnap Murder Case (1936) The Gracie Allen Murder Case (1938) The Winter Murder Case (1939) And don't forget to search this ebook store for "Wildside Megapack" to see more entries in this series, covering classic authors and subjects like mysteries, science fiction, westerns, ghost stories -- and much, much more!

**The Philo Vance Murder Cases** S. S. Van Dine 2010-11 In the second volume of the Leonaur's complete Philo Vance Murder Cases we join the famous New York detective at the family mansion where the Greene family is definitely not playing 'Happy Families'. In fact the numbers of the Greene family soon begin to be reduced in the most extreme way. Not surprisingly this, the third Vance story is called the 'Greene Murder Case' and more Greenes will die before the case is solved. The fourth story-'The Bishop Murder Case'-draws its inspiration from children's nursery rhymes. First to die is Christopher Robbin, who just like the Cock Robin is found pierced with an arrow. New York District Attorney Markham knows there is just one man qualified to solve a case this complex, but more characters are doomed to die-including one with allusions to 'Mother Goose'-before Philo Vance can solve the case.

**A Philo Vance Week-end** S. S. Van Dine 1929

**The Greene Murder Case** S. S. Van Dine 1996

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**The Greatest Works of S. S. Van Dine (Illustrated Edition)** S.S. Van Dine 2017-10-16 Musaicum Books presents to you this carefully created volume of "The Greatest Works of S. S. Van Dine (Illustrated Edition)". This ebook has been designed and formatted to the highest digital standards and adjusted for readability on all devices. Contents: The Philo Vance Series The Benson Murder Case The Canary Murder Case The Greene Murder Case The Bishop Murder Case The Scarab Murder Case The Kennel Murder Case The Dragon Murder Case The Casino Murder Case The Garden Murder Case The Kidnap Murder Case The Gracie Allen Murder Case The Winter Murder Case Other Works Modern Painting: Its Tendency and Meaning Misinforming a Nation Twenty Rules for Writing Detective Stories S. S. Van Dine is the pseudonym used by American art critic Willard Huntington Wright when he wrote detective novels. He was an important figure in avant-garde cultural circles in pre-WWI New York, and under the pseudonym he created the immensely popular fictional detective Philo Vance. Wright was, however, most respected in intellectual circles for his writing about art, best known of which is the book Modern Painting: Its Tendency and Meaning.

**The Greene Murder Case** Willard Huntington Wright, Willard Huntington 2018-01-17 Philo Vance takes a hand when, in an evening, one daughter of the Greene family is shot to death and another one is wounded. The family comprises two sons and three daughters (the youngest, Ada, is adopted) under the rule of their mother, a bedridden invalid who spends her days feeling sorry for herself and cursing her ungrateful children. The family is required to live in the Greene mansion under the terms of their father's will. The German cook seems strangely attached to the adopted daughter, and other hangers-on include the mother's physician, who is courting Sibella Greene, and the enigmatic butler

*The Greene Murder Case* 1928\*

**The Benson Murder Case** S. S. Van Dine 2022-08-02

**The Winter Murder Case** S.S. Van Dine 2021-07-18 A murder in the mountains is the latest case for the Manhattan detective famed for his "highbrow manner and parade of encyclopedic learning" (The New York Times). Wealthy and worldly-wise detective Philo Vance has been asked to keep watch at a house party in the snowy Berkshires of western Massachusetts, where he encounters an assortment of guests ranging from a treasure hunter to a race car driver. The owner of the house doesn't quite trust his son's friends—and is worried about the security of his precious emeralds. Sure enough, a guard is soon killed, the jewels are stolen, and then another guest dies, leaving Vance to make some cold calculations about who turned this gathering from festive to fatal. . . . "Mr. Van Dine's amateur detective is the most gentlemanly, and probably the most scholarly snooper in literature." —Chicago Daily Tribune "The best of the American mystery men." —The Globe

**The Complete Philo Vance Series # 1-12 in One Volume: 1926-1939** S. S. Van Dine 2019-07-06 THE COMPLETE PHILO VANCE SERIES # 1-12IN ONE VOLUME: 1926-1939#1 The Benson Murder Case#2 The "Canary" Murder Case#3 The Greene Murder Case#4 The Bishop Murder Case#5 The Scarab Murder Case#6 The Kennel Murder Case#7 The Dragon Murder Case#8 The Casino Murder Case#9 The Garden Murder Case#10 The Kidnap Murder Case#11 The Gracie Allen Murder Case#12 The Winter Murder Case **The Kidnap Murder Case** S. S. Van Dine 2021-12-19 This new Van Dine kidnap-murder case deals with two of the most unusual crimes in the whole record of Philo Vance's criminological researches. Kasper Kenting, a playboy and ne'er-do-well, disappears from his ancestral home, the 'Purple House,' in West 86th Street, with all the indications pointing to a kidnapping. Both District Attorney John F.-X. Markham and Sergeant Ernest Heath of the Homicide Bureau participate, with Philo Vance, in the exciting investigation. In The Kidnap Murder Case Philo Vance runs into the gravest personal danger, and it is through the accuracy of his aim, at the crucial moment, that he saves Sergeant Heath's life as well as his own. The locale of this amazing crime shifts from one of the most fascinating residential landmarks in mid-town Manhattan to a sordid and obscure hovel on the upper east side.

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**The Gracie Allen Murder Case** S. S. Van Dine 2016-01-18 This early work by S. S. Van Dine was originally published in 1938 and we are now republishing it with a brand new introduction. 'The Gracie Allen Murder Case' is one of Van Dine's novels of crime and mystery. S. S. Van Dine was born Willard Huntington Wright in Charlottesville, Virginia in 1888. He attended St. Vincent College, Pomona College and Harvard University, but failed to graduate, leaving to cultivate contacts he had made in the literary world. At the age of twenty-one, Wright began his professional writing career as literary editor of the Los Angeles Times. In 1926, Wright published his first S. S. Van Dine novel, The Benson Murder Case. Wright went on to write eleven more mysteries. The first few books about his upper-class amateur sleuth, Philo Vance, were so popular that Wright became wealthy for the first time in his life. His later books declined in popularity as the reading public's tastes in mystery fiction changed, but during the late twenties and early thirties his work was very successful.

**The 'Canary' Murder Case** S. S. Van Dine 1955

**The Tattoo Murder Case** Akimitsu Takagi 2003-07-01 One of Japan's most popular mystery writers delivers "scenes of fastidiously executed decadence" in a "tale of sexual obsession" (The New York Times Book Review). Kinue Nomura survived World War II only to be murdered in Tokyo, her severed limbs discovered in a room locked from the inside. Gone is the part of her that bore one of the most beautiful full-body tattoos ever rendered. Kenzo Matsushita, a young doctor who was first to discover the crime scene, feels compelled to assist his detective brother, who is in charge of the case. But Kenzo has a secret: he was Kinue's lover, and soon his involvement in the investigation becomes as twisted and complex as the writhing snakes that once adorned Kinue's torso. The Tattoo Murder Case was originally published in 1948; this is the first English translation. "Clever, kinky, highly entertaining." —The Washington Post Book World "A delightful, different book, not only because of its unusual setting and premise, but because Takagi is a powerful plotter and constructor of fascinating, complex characters." —The A.V. Club "Has all the mind-boggling braininess and dazzling artifice of mystery's Golden Age, spiced with voyeuristic close-ups of a dying art in which postwar Japan remains supreme: full-body tattoos. . . . Intricate, fantastic, and utterly absorbing. More, please." —Kirkus Reviews

**Cobalt** Nathan Aldyne 2014-02-20 In this 1982 gay murder mystery by the author of Vermilion, summer in Provincetown is a nonstop party—until it stops dead. Daniel Valentine is a gay bartender and former social worker. Clarisse Lovelace is his straight pal who works in real estate. They make an unconventional investigative duo—but sometimes unconventional is exactly what's called for. Summer in P'town is definitely earning its reputation as Sodom-by-the-Sea. Daniel scored a job tending bar for the season and Clarisse is here too, looking fabulous and searching for trouble. Only she finds the wrong kind when a dead body turns up on a beach. No one knew Jeff that well, but his arresting cobalt eyes certainly caught people's attention. They made him some friends—and quite a few enemies. Which of these killed him? "In many ways it's not all that different from Miss Marple snooping about St. Mary Mead, only here drag queens replace governesses and coke dealers replace vicars." —Gay Community News **The Garden Murder Case (A Philo Vance Detective Story)** S. S. Van Dine 2016-01-15 This early work by S. S. Van Dine was originally published in 1935 and we are now republishing it with a brand new introduction. 'The Garden Murder Case' is one of Van Dine's novels of crime and mystery. S. S. Van Dine was born Willard Huntington Wright in Charlottesville, Virginia in 1888. He attended St. Vincent College, Pomona College and Harvard University, but failed to graduate, leaving to cultivate contacts he had made in the literary world. At the age of twenty-one, Wright began his professional writing career as literary editor of the Los Angeles Times. In 1926, Wright published his first S. S. Van Dine novel, The Benson Murder Case. Wright went on to write eleven more mysteries. The first few books about his upper-class amateur sleuth, Philo Vance, were so popular that Wright became wealthy for the first time in his life. His later books declined in popularity as the reading public's tastes in mystery fiction changed, but during the late twenties and early thirties his work was very successful.

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*The Greene Murder Case* Willard Huntington Wright 1928

**The Garden Murder Case / The Kidnap Murder Case** S. S. Van Dine 2008-04-01 This is the fifth-and penultimate-volume of the Philo Vance Murder Cases published by Leonaur. The first story-the ninth in the series-'The Garden Murder Case', takes its name from the New York city rooftop garden where Vance witnesses the crime take place as a gunshot brings sudden death to a distinguished company gathered to enjoy-horse racing! The tenth story, 'The Kidnap Murder Case', reveals the plot in its title. A member of the wealthy Kenting family is kidnapped and soon Vance is engaged in an intrigue of murder involving priceless gemstones.

**The Kennel Murder Case** S.S. Van Dine 2013-10-08 When Archer Coe, a collector of Chinese ceramics, is found dead in his bedroom with the door bolted on the inside, everybody from the district attorney to the medical examiner regards it as suicide. But detective Philo Vance suspects a sinister and carefully crafted murder. Although the circumstances surrounding the death of Archer Coe are so mysterious and contradictory that for a time no solution seems possible, the brilliant Philo Vance brings the case to an unexpected but satisfying conclusion in the end. The Kennel Murder Case, first published in 1933, moves swiftly with one mystery following another until the clever resolution. It is considered one of the best of Philo Vance novels in the series for its interesting characterization and gripping action and suspense.

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*The Dutch Shoe Mystery* Ellery Queen 2013-02-05 Queen visits an operating theater to witness a surgery, but finds a murder instead The son of a police detective, Ellery Queen grew up in a bloody atmosphere. Since he started lending his deductive powers to the New York City homicide squad, he has seen more than his fair share of mangled corpses. Though he is accustomed to gore, the thought of seeing a living person sliced open makes him ill. So when a doctor invites him to sit in on an operation, Queen braces his stomach. As it happens, his stomach is spared, but his brain must go to work. The patient is Abigail Doorn, a millionairess in a diabetic coma. To prepare her for surgery, the hospital staff has stabilized her blood sugar level and wheeled her to the operating theater—but just before the first incision, the doctors realize she is dead, strangled while lying unconscious on her gurney. Queen came to the hospital to watch surgeons work, but now it's his time to operate.

**The Greene Murder Case** S S Van Dine 2020-04-24 Philo Vance takes a hand when, in an evening, one daughter of the Greene family is shot to death and another one is wounded. The family comprises two sons and three daughters (the youngest, Ada, is adopted) under the rule of their mother, a bedridden invalid who spends her days feeling sorry for herself and cursing her ungrateful children. The family is required to live in the Greene mansion under the terms of their father's will. The German cook seems strangely attached to the adopted daughter, and other hangers-on include the mother's physician, who is courting Sibella Greene, and the enigmatic butler.

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thirties his work was very successful.

*Small Vices* Robert B. Parker 1998-03-01 Ellis Alves is no angel. But his lawyer says he was framed for the murder of college student Melissa Henderson...and asks Spenser for help. From Boston's back streets to Manhattan's elite, Spenser and Hawk search for suspects, including Melissa's rich-kid, tennis-star boyfriend. But when a man with a .22 puts Spenser in a coma, the hope for justice may die with him... *The Greene Murder Case* S.S. Van Dine 2017-10-16 "The Greene Murder Case" focuses on the murders, one by one, of members of the wealthy and contentious Greene family. The family comprises two sons and three daughters under the rule of their mother, a bedridden invalid who spends her days feeling sorry for herself and cursing her ungrateful children. The family is required to live in the Greene mansion under the terms of their father's will. Philo Vance takes a hand when, one evening, a daughter of the Greene family is shot to death and another one is wounded. S. S. Van Dine is the pseudonym used by American art critic Willard Huntington Wright when he wrote detective novels. He was an important figure in avant-garde cultural circles in pre-WWI New York, and under the pseudonym he created the immensely popular fictional detective Philo Vance.

**The Bishop Murder Case** S. S. Van Dine

*Alias S. S. Van Dine* John Loughery 1992 Recounts the rise and fall of Willard Huntington Wright, alias S. S. Van Dine--the virtual creator of the modern detective novel whose dramatic swing from success to failure epitomized the Jazz Age in which he lived.

**Philo Vance** Jon Tuska 1971

**The Greene Murder Case Improved, Don't Y'know** Reginald Martynique 2021-02-17 The third in the Philo Vance murder mysteries. A serial killer is loose in the house. Wealthy art connoisseur and amateur detective Philo Vance applies his physiological prowess to the case. From the editor's introduction: The Greene Murder Case was first published in 1928 and released in the cinemas the next year. The public's gracious reception of my annotations in the first two of my friend Van's stories of Philo Vance have encouraged me to continue on with this third--with his permission, of course. Whether French, Latin, Italian, or German, I have translated Mr. Vance's witticisms within brackets; I have done the same with his unique vocabulary where it seems practicable so as not to modify his own words, but assist those without his massive vocabulary. As usual, my footnotes end with "--RM," whereas Mr. Van Dine's do not. I have made a few clarifying word changes and engaged in some mild bowdlerism in an attempt to cleanse the volume of unnecessary sacrilege. --Reginald Martynique, Esq. 12-point Times New Roman type

**The Bishop Murder Case** S S Van Dine 2021-04-27 Of all the criminal cases in which Philo Vance participated as an unofficial investigator, the most sinister, the most bizarre, the seemingly most incomprehensible, and certainly the most terrifying, was the one that followed the famous Greene murders. The orgy of horror at the old Greene mansion had been brought to its astounding close in December; and after the Christmas holidays Vance had gone to Switzerland for the winter sports. Returning to New York at the end of February he had thrown himself into some literary work he had long had in mind--the uniform translation of the principal fragments of Menander found in the Egyptian papyri during the early years of the present century; and for over a month he had devoted himself sedulously to this thankless task.

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**Book of Murder** Frederick Irving Anderson 2015-06-17 "Praised by the Saturday Review of Literature for their "excellent writing, puzzling crimes, and plausible and interesting detectives," these ten mysteries unfold in New York City at the turn of the 20th century. Starring such memorable characters as Deputy "Manhunter" Parr and ex-crime writer Oliver Armiston, the dryly witty, ingeniously constructed whodunits involve insurance scams, poisonings, and other nefarious activities -- each usually ending in homicide"-- *The Dain Curse* Dashiell Hammett 2011-02-23 Dashiell Hammett virtually invented the hardboiled crime novel, and his creation the Continental Op is a short, squat, and utterly unsentimental tank of a private detective. Miss Gabrielle Dain Leggett is young, wealthy, and a devotee of morphine and religious cults. She has an unfortunate effect on the people around her: they have a habit of dying violently. Is Gabrielle the victim of a family curse? Or is the truth about her weirder and infinitely more dangerous? The Dain Curse is one of the Continental Op's most bizarre cases, and a tautly crafted masterpiece of suspense.