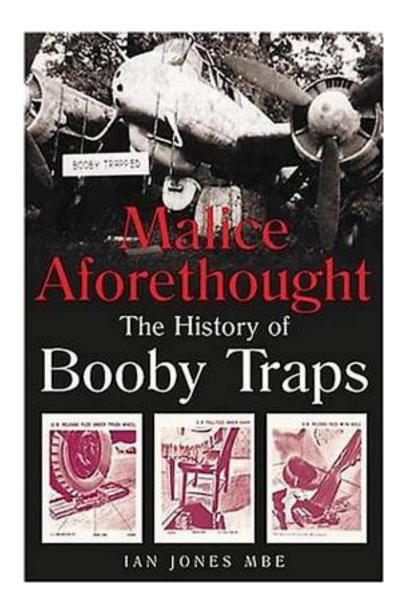
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On a balmy summer's day in 1930 the great and the good of the county are out in force for the annual, much-anticipated tennis party at the Bickleighs, although not everyone has much enthusiasm for the game. The tennis party exists for other reasons - and charmingly mannered infidelity is now the most popular pastime in the small but exclusive Devonshire hamlet of Wyvern's Cross. Which is why, in his own garden, the host, Dr Edmund Bickleigh, is desperately fighting to conceal the two things on his mind: a mounting passion for Gwynfryd Rattery - and the certain conviction that he is going to kill his wife ...

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评论

1931年作品.虽然此书的出现比Joanna Cannan的《No Walls of Jasper》整整晚了一年,剧情设定及发展模式几乎与后者同出一辙,但必须承认本作从各个角度来讲都要更胜一筹,即使伯克莱有借鉴的可能,所以它才能够成为犯罪心理小说中的经典.如果你要研究和了解欧美推理,这部作品是无法逾越的,尽管书中并没有什么推理桥段,因为主角不是侦探而是罪犯.男主睡前"vision"的预演描写很是精彩,是我最喜欢的片段,因为很多人都可能有这种经历-包括我在内,这是一种强烈的角色代入体验.最终结尾有出人意料的黑色幽默,这是我没有想到的,当然为了维护伸张正义、捍卫秩序的传统道德观,伯克莱没有突破某种界限,不但他没有,后续也很少有作家敢这么干,直到帕特里夏·海史密斯的出现.综上所述,推荐阅读

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书评

被日本人评为"世界三大倒叙推理"之一的《杀意Malice Aforethought》为Frances Iles(毒巧克力命案作者Anthony Berkeley的另一个笔名)在1931创作的"倒叙推理小说"。 为什么我会说这是"第二代倒叙推理"? 因为若把R.奥斯汀・弗里曼(R. Austin Freeman)1912年短篇小说集...

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