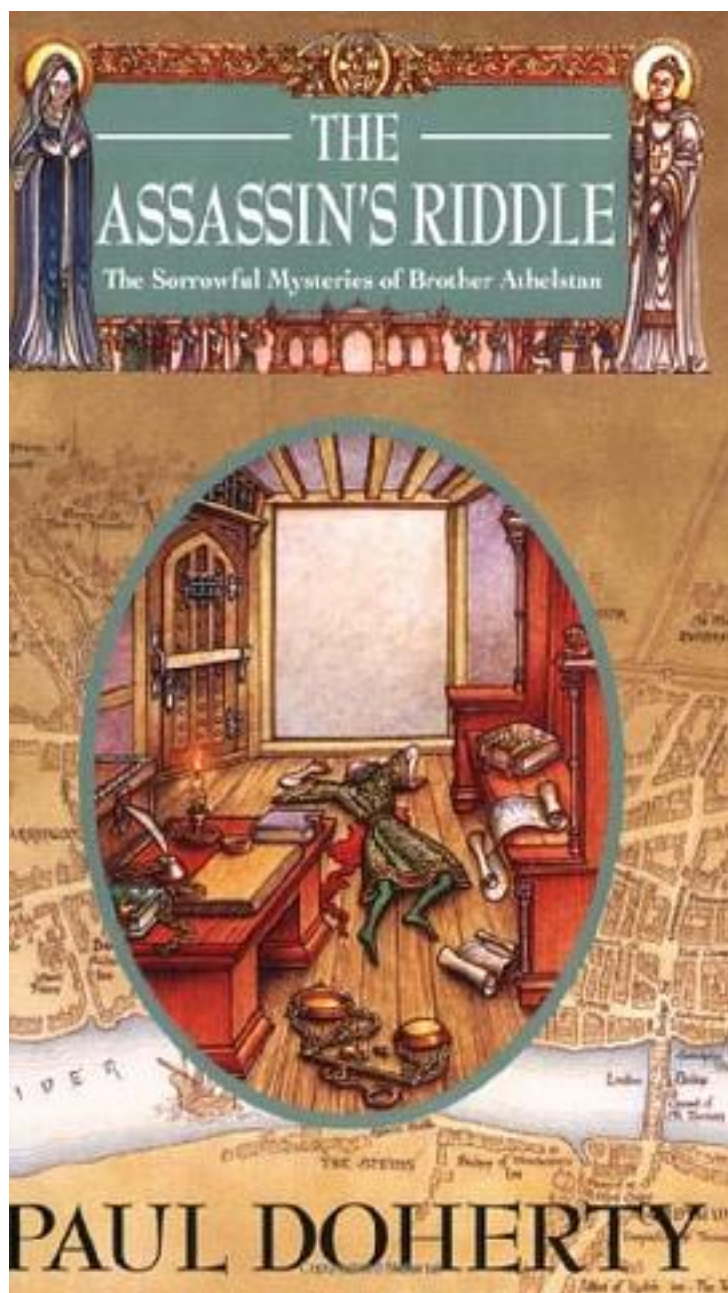


# The Assassin's Riddle



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It is the summer of 1380 and the corpse of Edwin Chapler--clerk of the Office of the Green Wax of the Chancery--has been pulled from the Thames. Though Chapler's death was caused by drowning, he also received a vicious blow to the back of the head before his plunge into the river. Bartholomew Drayton--a usurer and money-lender--is then found dead in his strongroom, a crossbow firmly embedded in his chest. Sir John Cranston, the Coroner of the City of London, comes to survey the scene and is perplexed to find the windowless strongroom was locked and barred from the inside at the time of the murder. When other clerks are found murdered, each with a riddle pinned to his corpse, Cranston enlists the help of his secretarius Brother Athelstan, and together they must pit their wits against a deadly adversary bent on murder and mayhem.

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评论

可以拆成一个中篇+一个短篇的plot，不过密室解答还不错，某著名解答的变种。只是这本历史推理真没充分利用历史性的优势

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## 书评

一个有钱人被箭射杀在了自家金库里，现场是密室，门从内栓上，没有窗户，没有密道。里面的银子全部被盗。  
某个政府部门（我始终没弄明白那是啥单位）的职员，一个个被杀，每个人身上都留有神秘的谜语。  
20世纪70年代后，随着黄金时期作家们的纷纷离世，短篇解谜的创作也开始消...

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