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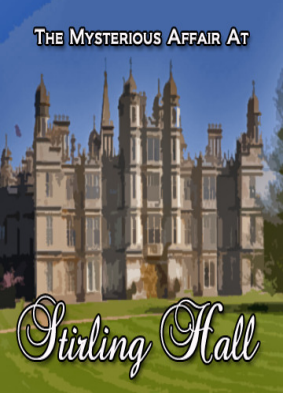
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# THE SUSPECTS



## LADY ADELLA WESTBY

Wife of Lord Henry Westby and Lady of Stirling Hall, Lady Westby is class and grace personified. At her husband's side, Lady Westby ensures the running of Stirling Hall. In her spare time, attempts to coordinate the marriage of her daughter, Lady Lila Westby, to be a happy union for her daughter and benefit to the standing of the Westby family as a whole. Lady Westby wears a long dress made from luxurious material, large jewelry and long satin gloves.

## LORD HENRY WESTBY

Lord Henry Westby is an ex-military man with strong family values, high standards and an infectious amusement toward pomp and circumstance. He takes pride in his integrity and admires that about those with whom he surrounds himself. Lord Westby wears formal white tie attire and walks with an intricately designed, opulent cane.

## LADY LILA WESTBY

Daughter of Lord and Lady Westby, Lady Lila is the eldest daughter in the family and a progressive thinker. Not satisfied to conform to the ranks society has placed upon her, Lady Lila is a free spirit who struggles to do right by her family responsibilities while still remaining true to her heart's desires. Despite this, Lady Lila acts in a manner befitting to a lady of her position, and is betrothed to the heir to Stirling Hall, Ambrose Haines. Lady Lila wears dresses of rich fabric in the most cutting-edge styles of the day.



## AMBROSE HAINES

Set to inherit the estate, Ambrose Haines is both the savior and villain of Stirling Hall. In spite of the initial ill-feelings toward him from the Westbys, Ambrose has found a happy acceptance in the family and a friend in Lady Lila, with whom he is engaged to be married. Ambrose wears formal white tie attire.

## EUDORA CRANE

Lady Westby's maid, Eudora Crane is sharp-tongued and deathly serious, yet fiercely devoted to her employer. Below the stairs, she voices her opinions openly, and most times to her co-workers' detriment, yet she remains the height of professionalism before those for whom she works. Eudora wears a plain black dress with white aprons.

## WALTER EATON

Mr. Eaton is the butler of Stirling Hall, and is in charge of all the staff below the stairs. He is a man of strong integrity and pride in his position, and has served the Westbys for over 25 years. With an infallible devotion to the family, Eaton plans to spend another 25 years in service to Lord and Lady Westby, and with Lady Lila's engagement, has embraced Ambrose Haines as the heir to Stirling Hall. Mr. Eaton wears a suit similar to that of Lord Westby, but of a far lesser quality.



# LADY GEORGINA WESTBY

The youngest of the Westby daughters, Lady Georgina is good hearted, but thrives on drama. She always has a tale to tell about the people in the town, or gossips about the ladies who come to court. In spite of this, she aims at the good and is forever trying to orchestrate the live lives of her sisters, even though she has not yet herself been presented at court. Lady Georgina wears dresses of rich fabric in the most cutting-edge styles of the day.

# LADY HARRIET WESTBY

The middle of the Westby daughters, Lady Harriet is the plainest of the three. She is agreeable though, and desperate to get out from under the shadow of Stirling Hall and her rank and experience the world. Adventurous yet distinguished, Lady Harriet wears dresses of rich fabric in the most cutting-edge styles of the day.

# MR. BYRON GILBERT

Mr. Gilbert is a guest at Stirling Hall, and has been staying with The Westbys for a week. He is very well mannered, and most who meet him consider him to be an absolute delight. A single young man with a large financial sum each year, Mr. Gilbert is set to inherit Prestgale Abbey, a large estate not two hours from Stirling Hall. As such, Mr. Gilbert has become a much-sought visitor, and his stay at Stirling Hall has sparked whispers about the fact that his visit may result in the young bachelor finally selecting a wife. Mr. Gilbert wears formal white tie attire.



# ETTIE O'DELLE

Ettie is Lady Lila's ladies' maid. Soft-spoken and mild-mannered, Ettie is well-liked by both the staff beneath the stairs as well as those in the house. While she is sweet and kind, she can be ruthless when she needs to be, and will quickly scold the other servants if they speak out of turn or against the Westbys. Ettie wears a black dress with white aprons.

# LADY AGNES WESTBY

The mother of Lord Henry Westby, Lady Agnes Westby is the former Lady of Stirling Hall. Upon her husband's death eight years ago, Henry took over Stirling Hall and all its functions. She is sharp-tongued and has an opinion on everything, including the future of her granddaughters and the staffing of the servants. Lady Agnes wears a dress in rich colours and decadent fabric, and a hat with great hand-stitched detail.

# MRS. MAXINE ELLSWORTH

Mrs. Maxine Ellsworth is an uptight, prudish woman with a stony expression and antiquated fashion sense. She believes things should be proper, and is quick to criticize those who conduct themselves improperly. She has a sharp tongue, believes everyone is entitled to her opinion, and is often heard speaking of how the world is 'going to hell in a hand basket'. Maxine wears a modest dress in practical fabric and her hair in a bun that's wound almost as tightly as she is.





## GERTRUDE WALCOTT

Ms. Walcott is the head cook at Stirling Hall, and has worked at Stirling Hall since long before Lord and Lady Westby's administration. Originally hired by Lady Agnes Westby when she and her husband were the proprietors of Stirling Hall, she has mastered the art of preparing food for any occasion that may occur at the estate. Ms. Walcott wears a humble brown dress and a sullied apron.

## MRS. MINERVA HAINES

Mrs. Haines is the mother of heir to Stirling Hall, Ambrose Haines. An idealist, Mrs. Haines is reluctant in her involvement in Stirling Hall, and shuns the traditional pomp of the hierarchy, believing that everyone, regardless of standing, are equals. Mrs. Haines devotes much of her time to helping the poor. She is outspoken in her scorn and quick to judge those within Stirling Hall. While she could take residence at Stirling Hall, she prefers to remain within her modest dwelling in town.

## MRS. LIZA DEVITT

Mrs. Devitt is a spinster and head housemaid at Stirling Hall. Although stern in her demeanor, Mrs. Devitt is fair, and treats the other servants with much respect. It has been argued that without Mrs. Devitt, Stirling Hall would simply fail to function; while she is head of housekeeping, she tends to direct most of the other day-to-day duties within Stirling Hall. An uncompromising woman, Mrs. Devitt demands perfection from those she commands, and has been known to harshly reprimand for a job that does not meet her high standards.