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A beautiful gift edition of the number one New York Times bestseller—from the founder and president of the Children's Defense Fund.

Petticoats and Pinafores is a collection of short stories dedicated to those who appreciate the illicit thrill of dressing in the style of the opposite sex. It's a popular motif, and a complicated one, with many subtly different takes on a broad theme, but by assembling a team of writers with a genuine enthusiasm for their subject we hope to delight everybody from the rugged male who occasionally enjoys the feel of silk next to his skin to the delicate lady who takes her pleasure in donning top hat and tails.

Ladies' man Marcel Taylor got his nickname, Casanova Brown, the old-fashioned way—he earned it. His life of privilege has been filled with the finer things and the finest women, but he's becoming bored with it all...

Was he, or wasn't he...

Best of friends, Destiny Brockman and her neighbor Miles Stafford bet that they can set each other up on a date with the perfect match, but their wager backfires when they realize that they are made for each other.

The sexy King brothers own a successful bachelor-party-planning business and a string of upscale clubs across the country. What could be better than living the single life in some of the world's most glamorous cities? Finding a woman worth giving it up for... A promise of ecstasy... Bartender Cheryl Shepherd has just done the unthinkable—she has shot down Xavier King. Repeatedly. Now the handsome club owner is on a mission to seduce her. And when he finally succeeds, he's blown away by their wild chemistry. For a notorious player, a sexy, confident woman like Cheryl is a risky proposition. Xavier has no idea how right he is. An undercover cop, Cheryl is really investigating alleged criminal activity in his club. Yet every time she's alone with her boss, Cheryl starts to lose her head along with all her inhibitions. But when the case grows dangerous, can Xavier be trusted with her heart...and her life?

All her life, Alyssa Jansen has loved handsome, wealthy Quentin Dwayne Hinton—a man who barely knows she exists. Now, after years away in France, Alyssa's back, and suddenly Q is seeing her in a whole new light. The surprising thing is, so is his brother Sterling....

No husband, no boyfriend, no pets and definitely no children... These were the "rules" that took magazine CEO Leila Owens to the top. Always in charge, in control, she was never rattled. Until she finds a baby in her kitchen on Christmas—and a sexy neighbor wearing next to nothing knocking at her front door... Garrick Grayson didn't know whom to comfort first, the howling infant or the career diva without a clue. But with a little help, Leila's soon juggling bottles, naps

and meetings, while Garrick is falling for adorable Emma—and gorgeous, feisty, maternally challenged Leila. Garrick had sworn off women married to their jobs; Leila had sworn off everything else. So why, when they were together, did things feel so...right?

Melanie Harte's latest matchmaking assignment comes with a catch. Her client, Jaxon Landon, can never know that his grandmother hired Melanie to find him a woman of substance—someone more interested in making the handsome banker happy than in spending his money. With Melanie's help, Jaxon meets Zora Campbell, a former model whose thriving agency proves she's just as brilliant as she is beautiful. For the first time Jaxon is falling for a woman who is his equal—and their combustible chemistry proves the feeling is mutual. But the hotter their relationship gets, the more Zora worries about what will happen when Jaxon discovers the ploy behind the passion. A simple lie brought them together—but will it also tear them apart?

Bored with his reputation as a ladies' man, Marcel "Casanova" Brown meets his match when he encounters a mysterious seductress calling herself "Mayte" at a masquerade ball. Original.

Awakening to find herself trapped in a mental hospital with no memory of how she got there, Josie Ferrell desperately turns for help to doctor William Hayes, the only man who believes in her.

On this special day dedicated to romance, wonderful things can happen: secret desires may be spoken, roses can arrive with a card saying "I love you," or a dizzying kiss is exchanged for the first time. Now, two of your favorite Harlequin Kimani authors—with some help from cupid, of course—have sent their own Valentine's Day gift: a duet of thrilling stories filled with passion and desire... When Valentines Collide by Adrienne Byrd Dr. Chante Valentine and Dr. Matthew Valentine know all the right moves to nurture relationships—except when it comes to mending their own. Since divorce would jeopardize their respective careers, the love gurus reluctantly agree to a "sex-therapy" retreat. Will the love doctors gain a second chance at happiness? To Love Again by Janice Sims San Francisco caterer Alana Calloway is bitter and lonely after the death of her police officer husband. Then she receives flowers from a secret admirer. After a stunning revelation, will Alana be able to let go of the past and learn to love again...in Nicholas Setera's arms?

Medical administrator Ophelia Missler, engaged to wealthy businessman Jonas Hinton, finds herself having second thoughts about her upcoming wedding when she realizes that she might be in love with her long-time best friend Solomon Bassett.

"Readers who crave both a classic Regency and a shadowy paranormal will sink their teeth into Ann's tale, with its engaging characters and light touches."—RT Book Reviews First in a witty, sexy paranormal Regency romance series, England's "vampire craze" is causing much vexation for the Lord Vampire of London, Ian Ashton. To save his reputation, Ian enlists aspiring authoress Angelica Winthrop, who has hidden plans of her own. Dr. John Polidori's tale "The Vampyre" burst upon the Regency scene along with Mary Shelley's Frankenstein after that notorious weekend spent writing ghost stories with Lord Byron. A vampire craze broke

out instantly in the haut ton. Now Ian Ashton, the Lord Vampire of London, has to attend tedious balls, linger in front of mirrors, and eat lots of garlic in an attempt to quell the gossip. If that weren't annoying enough, his neighbor, Angelica Winthrop, has literary aspirations of her own and is sneaking into his house at night just to see what she can find. Hungry, tired, and fed up, Ian is in no mood to humor his beautiful intruder... Scandals with Bite series: Bite Me, Your Grace (Book 1) One Bite Per Night (Book 2) Bite at First Sight (Book 3) Praise for Brooklyn Ann: "Breezy and entertaining." —Publishers Weekly "Unique...a delightful way to spend an afternoon." —Long and Short Reviews

This book is dedicated to Aristid Lindenmayer on the occasion of his 60th birthday on November 17, 1985. Contributions range from mathematics and theoretical computer science to biology. Aristid Lindenmayer introduced language-theoretic models for developmental biology in 1968. Since then the models have been customarily referred to as L systems. Lindenmayer's invention turned out to be one of the most beautiful examples of interdisciplinary science: work in one area (developmental biology) induces most fruitful ideas in other areas (theory of formal languages and automata, and formal power series). As evident from the articles and references in this book, the interest in L systems is continuously growing. For newcomers the first contact with L systems usually happens via the most basic class of L systems, namely, DOL systems. Here "0" stands for zero context between developing cells. It has been a major typographical problem that printers are unable to distinguish between 0 (zero) and 0 (oh). Thus, DOL was almost always printed with "oh" rather than "zero", and also pronounced that way. However, this misunderstanding turned out to be very fortunate. The wrong spelling "DOL" of "DOL" could be read in the suggestive way: DO L Indeed, hundreds of researchers have followed this suggestion. Some of them appear as contributors to this book. Of the many who could not contribute, we in particular regret the absence of A. Ehrenfeucht, G. Herman and H.A. Maurer whose influence in the theory of L systems has been most significant.

Nikki Jamison didn't know being a playwright in New York would end up like this. After a few financial and creative flops, she's determined to put her Broadway dreams behind her. Recalling a friend's story about an empty villa in St. Lucia, Nikki decides that it's the perfect place to recover—in luxury! But when the home owner shows up unexpectedly, Nikki's little white lie leads to an out-of-control marital charade. Hylan Dawson is married. Only problem is he doesn't know it. When Hylan takes off for his vacation home, his plan is to get a little R & R...maybe indulge in a summer fling. But as soon as he arrives on the island, the locals begin congratulating him on his recent nuptials. Hylan feels for his sexy wife, even if she is an impostor. Are the "newlyweds" falling into a bed of sizzling summer seduction—or marching toward a lifetime of wedded bliss?

DEDICATED TO THE NEXT GENERATION OF WOMEN BOARD LEADERS In 2018, California passed a senate bill (SB 826) to require publicly held companies headquartered in CA to have at least one woman on their board by 2020. In 2020, Nasdaq proposed a mandate that would require listed companies to have at least two diverse board members with one member who identifies as female. Initiatives like these are helping advance gender parity on boards in many regions, not just the U.S. In late 2020, women held 22.6% of the board seats on the Russell 3000 for the first time, a 6.5 point jump over the past 4 years. Zooming

out to the global scale, the picture is similarly improving. In 2020, about 23% of board seats globally were held by women, compared to 20% in 2018. Yet...at the time of this writing, 10% of large global companies do not have a single woman on their board. And the percent of women who chair boards is dramatically smaller. Among the largest 500 public U.S. companies by revenue the share of women who chaired boards remained stagnant at 7.4%. Notably, of those women who chair boards, few of them use the term Chairwoman in their bios or LinkedIn profiles—opting for monikers Chairman, or Board Chair, or occasionally Chairperson. This book features the extraordinary voices and stories of women leaders from around the world who have trailblazed to the board room, as letters to the next generation of women in business and government. With the salutation "Dear Chairwoman," these letters are infused with the energy to inspire young women to both pursue board governance early, and to claim the 'Chairwoman' title in taking the senior-most seat in the Board Room.

Jeremy King is stunned when former one-night stand Leigh Matthews hires his company to plan her bachelorette party and Jeremy, not believing that she is truly in love, has six weeks to convince her that he is the only one for her.

Retelling of the myth of the Cretan Minotaur, this book considers the inner world of the Minotaur himself, and suggests a dark and compelling reason for Ariadne's intense relationship with Theseus.

Charlie Masters, playboy extraordinaire, has no plans to change his heartbreaker ways. Then some bad news from his doctor gives him pause for regret...and six months to make things right with all the women he's wronged. Most don't believe him; a few are cooking up revenge; and one has a knockout sister offering him a taste of heaven. Gisella Jacobs is busy launching her new shop, Sinful Chocolate, when delectable Charlie knocks at her door. Her friends warn that he's trouble, but his kiss is richer than her finest Belgian cocoa, his touch as velvety smooth as her lightest truffle. And when something so wrong feels so right...how can a woman resist?

As president of the talent agency she built from scratch, Chloe Banks is a New York success story. But beneath the fast-track facade is a small-town girl who's never forgotten her humble beginnings—and whose past is a closely guarded secret. Until Chloe's family comes to visit and brings a special holiday gift. Sensual Southern charmer Lyfe Alton was her childhood sweetheart...and is the man who still owns her heart. Lyfe was devastated when Chloe left their Georgia hometown for the bright lights of the big city. Now he has just four weeks to seduce her back into his bed...or lose her forever. With Chloe nestled in his arms where she belongs, can Lyfe turn their sizzling Christmas affair into a season for second chances?

When it came to revitalizing relationships, Dr. Chante Valentine and Dr. Matthew Valentine knew all the right moves—except when it came to mending their own volatile vows. Since divorce would jeopardize their respective careers, the love gurus reluctantly agreed to a two-week "sex-therapy" retreat. Getting more from the seminar than they bargained for, Chante suddenly found herself appreciating her husband's strong, lean physique for the first time in years, and Matthew couldn't deny his attraction to sexy Chante. But when a devastating secret is revealed, will the love doctors lose their second chance at love...or add a new little Valentine to their family?

Fleeing from the person who murdered her abusive husband, Julia Kelley, along with her young daughter, gets stuck in the middle of a small town when her car dies and must rely on sexy mechanic Carson Webber, who not only fixes her car but repairs her scarred heart, giving her a second chance at love. Original.

Hollington Homecoming Queen Beverly Turner is pulling out all the stops for her ten-year reunion. The trendy designer's first order of

business is to let loose and have some fun. And her wish just might come true when she meets Lucius Gray. The hunky, high-powered Atlanta attorney is looking for the same thing she is: a sexy fling with no strings. Lucius needs a time-out from his workaholic life, and the chic, sensual designer more than fits the bill. Like Beverly, the single father has been burned by love. But Beverly is arousing feelings that are making him long to turn their sizzling affair into a lifetime of passion. If she'll let him, he'll give her the happy ending she deserves and prove to this unforgettable woman that there is life—and love—after college....

A good man can be hard to find, and curvaceous Jalila Goodwyn has had enough bad dates to know. But while Jalila is describing the hilarious details of her latest encounter over brunch with her girlfriend, another diner overhears her story and makes her an offer she can't refuse.

Book 2 in the Mythe series Ronal de Amshe knew he would not receive a warm welcome in the realm of the elves, and he got exactly what he had expected. Especially from the daughter of the Elf King. Caetria disliked him immensely, or so she told herself. But Caet had a lot to learn. About vampires, and becoming the woman she was meant to be. To her horror, the king ordered her to be Ronal's guide and companion while he remained within their realm. He couldn't possibly mean. . . At first sight of the princess, the dark, seductive vampire immediately envisioned the passion they could share. . .if she didn't loathe him so thoroughly. But it didn't take long for the elvish princess to warm to the vampire who watched her with intense eyes. Nor did it take very long to fall in love with him. . .but Fate stands ready to tear them apart. Ronal is a Gatekeeper in this land of Mythe and his destiny is written. Caetria will be Queen of the Elves one day and must remain with her people. Sacrifice will be expected from all the inhabitants of Mythe. War looms on the horizon. . . To overcome the obstacles they face and hold on to the happiness they have found will require a love beyond measure.

In this analysis, the President of the Children's Defense Fund describes the disintegrating state of the family over a generation, dispels common assumptions, and sets a bold agenda to strengthen families and protect children

Limelight Entertainment is Sofia Wellesley's whole life. So she's fit to be tied when she discovers her agency is about to merge with Limelight's biggest rival—run by none other than Ram Jordan. Sofia had a major crush on gorgeous Ram growing up...until her childhood friend became her worst enemy. So why is her traitorous heart clamoring for the man she hates most in the world? Ram knows what caused the rift between the two Hollywood families, and he's determined to protect Sofia from the truth. But now...he wants more. He wants all this lovely, sensual woman has to give. But getting Sofia to trust him will take his most persuasive powers of seduction. From L.A. to Vegas, the spotlight's on passion as Ram fights for a future together—and the love that could be theirs at long last....

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Businesswoman Carissa Cartel faces the guilt of finding that her actions caused the heart attack of business rival Travis Edwards, and she decides to make secret amends to his handsome son, Nathan, a professional photographer.

After a disastrous experience in college, Anna Jacobs meets Taariq Bryson again when they are stranded together in a remote cabin.

“One of the best books on the American presidency to appear in recent years” (The Wall Street Journal) and based on a decade

of research and reporting—a delightful new window into the public and private lives America’s presidents as authors. Most Americans are familiar with Abraham Lincoln’s famous words in the Gettysburg Address and the Emancipation Proclamation. Yet few can name the work that helped him win the presidency: his published collection of speeches entitled *Political Debates between Hon. Abraham Lincoln and Hon. Stephen A. Douglas*. Lincoln labored in secret to get his book ready for the 1860 election, tracking down newspaper transcripts, editing them carefully for fairness, and hunting for a printer who would meet his specifications. *Political Debates* sold fifty thousand copies—the rough equivalent of half a million books in today’s market—and it reveals something about Lincoln’s presidential ambitions. But it also reveals something about his heart and mind. When voters asked about his beliefs, Lincoln liked to point them to his book. In Craig Fehrman’s “original, illuminating, and entertaining” (Jon Meacham) work of history, the story of America’s presidents and their books opens a rich new window into presidential biography. From volumes lost to history—Calvin Coolidge’s *Autobiography*, which was one of the most widely discussed titles of 1929—to ones we know and love—Barack Obama’s *Dreams from My Father*, which was very nearly never published—Fehrman unearths countless insights about the presidents through their literary works. Presidential books have made an enormous impact on American history, catapulting their authors to the national stage and even turning key elections. Beginning with Thomas Jefferson’s *Notes on the State of Virginia*, the first presidential book to influence a campaign, and John Adams’s *Autobiography*, the first score-settling presidential memoir, *Author in Chief* draws on newly uncovered information—including never-before-published letters from Andrew Jackson, John F. Kennedy, and Ronald Reagan—to cast fresh light on the private drives and self-doubts that fueled our nation’s leaders. We see Teddy Roosevelt as a vulnerable first-time author, struggling to write the book that would become a classic of American history. We see Reagan painstakingly revising *Where’s the Rest of Me?*, and Donald Trump negotiating the deal for *The Art of the Deal*, the volume that made him synonymous with business savvy. Alongside each of these authors, we also glimpse the everyday Americans who read them. “If you’re a history buff, a presidential trivia aficionado, or just a lover of American literary history, this book will transfix you, inform you, and surprise you” (*The Seattle Review of Books*).

The sexy King brothers own a successful bachelor-party-planning business and a string of upscale clubs across the country. What could be better than living the single life in some of the world's most glamorous cities? Finding a woman worth giving it up for... Eamon King organizes the wildest bachelor parties in Las Vegas. So wild that his latest client ends up marrying one of the strippers. Now the jilted bride-to-be, Victoria Gregory, is suing his company for millions. The problem is Eamon has never been so turned on by anyone as he is by the beautiful, voluptuous and very angry Victoria. He's sure that all he has to do to charm his way out of the lawsuit is to charm his way into her bed. Win-win, right? Wrong. Because every white-hot moment they're together makes him realize he's found the only woman who can make him lose his heart....

First in the Eternity series For over two hundred years, the cost of eternity for Lorcan MacKenna has been unending loneliness. Territorial creatures of darkness, vampires can't peacefully exist near each other. Human companions age and die, leaving him to face the long nights alone. After the death of his last lover, Lorcan vows to avoid the pain of loss. Until a down-and-out actor finds

himself in danger and Lorcan can't resist saving the young man. Kevin St. James never expected to find himself offering sex for money, especially not to men. A desperate need for quick cash, a dark alley, and things go terribly wrong. His dark rescuer brings out feelings hidden so deep, Kevin never realized they were there. Reveling in newfound sensations, Kevin welcomes his new lover. But just as Lorcan has a secret, so too does Kevin.

About last night... Daughter of a prominent senator, ambitious Washington, D.C., attorney Isabella Kane has big dreams that include marriage to equally ambitious Randall Jarrett. But a funny thing happened on the way to the altar. She met a luscious hunk, and for just one forbidden night she followed her heart and indulged her deepest passions. But now she can't forget... His mystery lady was gone by dawn, but political strategist Derrick Knight can't stop thinking about the irresistible woman he longs to see again. When she shows up as his fraternity brother's fiancée, he's stunned—but determined to stake his claim. He and Randall let a woman come between them once before...but this time he won't back down. He wants Bella for his own bride! Kappa Psi Kappa—these brothers are for real!

Celebrates the special bond that exists between mother and child with more than one hundred photographic images and the lyrics to the songs that are performed on the accompanying CD.

Now you can choose between thread and yarn! Not everyone enjoys crocheting with thread. This book includes 101 doilies crocheted using size 10 crochet cotton thread or Omega Emilia worsted-weight yarn. The thread creates a small doily, perfect for coasters for glassware, to grace the table under a bud vase or candlestick and more. The doilies made using worsted-weight yarn create a larger doily to be used on tables and dressers. Size: Small – range in diameter from 3 1/2" to 6" Large – range in diameter from 7 1/2" to 14". Skill Level: Easy.

A provocative critique of America's foreign policy draws on historical and diplomatic sources to explain how the Bush administration fails to balance its power with leadership and invites other superpowers to develop themselves and band together against the United States. Reprint.

Tired of blind dates and unsuccessful relationships, single mother and business owner Brooklyn Douglas unexpectedly finds the man of her dreams in Isaiah Washington--a high-powered executive who will stop at nothing to get what he wants. Reissue.

Heir-apparent Malcolm Braddock may be the sexiest community activist under the Houston sun, but clearly he's met his match in Gloria Kingsley, the late senator Harmon Braddock's strikingly beautiful executive assistant. Both were recently spotted in a limo in a very...um...compromising position, and it appears Ms. Kingsley is influencing more than the brooding, lone-wolf bachelor's normally conservative sense of fashion (when she lets him stay dressed, of course!). We can conclude that Gloria is on a mission to make No-Commitments-Malcolm her Mr. Right. But with rumors flying about Senator Braddock—and a few dirty little secrets that didn't die with him—can she get Malcolm to secure his father's mantle

as well?

Unified by geography and themes of tradition and progress, the essays in this anthology present a complex view of the Upper Cumberland area of Tennessee and Kentucky—a remote and, in some ways, mysterious region—and offer a broad look at an understudied southern region. The distinguished contributors cover everything from early folk medicine practices (Opless Walker), to the changing roles of women in the Upper Cumberland (Ann Toplovich), to rarely discussed African American lifeways in the area (Wall R. Kharif). Randall D. Williams's essay on the relatively unknown history of American Indians in the region opens the collection, followed by Michael Allen's history of boating and river professions on the Cumberland River. Al Cross and David Cross illuminate the Republican politics of the Kentucky section of the Upper Cumberland, while Mark Dudney provides a first-of-its-kind look at the early careers of distinguished Tennesseans Cordell Hull and John Gore. Equally fresh is Mary A. Evins's examination of the career of Congressman Joe L. Evins, and coeditor Michael E. Birdwell and John B. Nisbet III contribute an in-depth piece on John Catron, the Upper Cumberland's first Supreme Court justice. Troy D. Smith's essay on Champ Ferguson sheds new light on the Confederate guerilla. Birdwell's second contribution, an exploration of the history of moonshine, provides insight into a venerable Cumberland tradition. Pairing well with Walker's essay, Janey Dudney and coeditor W. Calvin Dickinson discuss the superstitions faced by early Upper Cumberland medical professionals. Closing out the grouping of medical articles is Dickinson's second chapter, which tells the story of Dr. May Cravath Wharton and her contribution to the region's health care, Laura Clemons explores the relationship between composer Charles Faulkner Bryan and his gifted African American pupil J. Robert Bradley. Birch-veils final essay examines race relations in the Upper Cumberland. Book jacket.

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