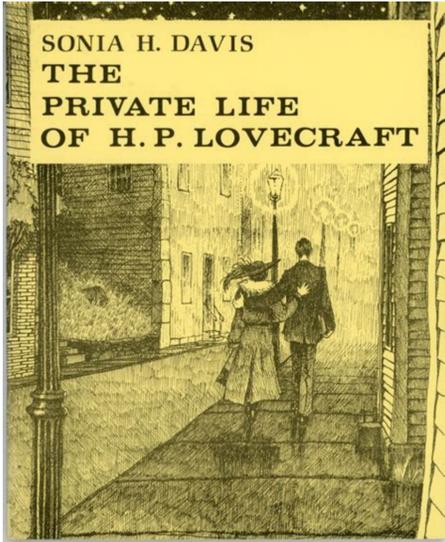


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Howard Phillips Lovecraft as His Wife Remembers Him-Sonia Haft Greene 1948 Memoir of the married life of H.P. Lovecraft by his wife Sonia H. Greene Lovecraft, later Davis, including (on 4 separately numbered leaves) an account of their relationship with Samuel Loveman.

The Private Life of H.P. Lovecraft-Sonia H. Davis 1985

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The New Annotated H. P. Lovecraft-H.P. Lovecraft 2014-10-13 Finalist for the HWA’s Bram Stoker Award for Best Anthology Named one of the Best Books of the Year by Slate and the San Francisco Chronicle From across strange aeons comes the long-awaited annotated edition of “the twentieth century’s greatest practitioner of the classic horror tale” (Stephen King). "With an increasing distance from the twentieth century...the New England poet, author, essayist, and stunningly profuse epistolary Howard Phillips Lovecraft is beginning to emerge as one of that tumultuous period’s most critically fascinating and yet enigmatic figures," writes Alan Moore in his introduction to The New Annotated H. P. Lovecraft. Despite this nearly unprecedented posthumous trajectory, at the time of his death at the age of forty-six, Lovecraft’s work had appeared only in dime-store magazines, ignored by the public and maligned by critics. Now well over a century after his birth, Lovecraft is increasingly being recognized as the foundation for American horror and science fiction, the source of “incalculable influence on succeeding generations of writers of horror fiction” (Joyce Carol Oates). In this volume, Leslie S. Klinger reanimates Lovecraft with clarity and historical insight, charting the rise of the erstwhile pulp writer, whose rediscovery and reclamation into the literary canon can be compared only to that of Poe or Melville. Weaving together a broad base of existing scholarship with his own original insights, Klinger appends Lovecraft’s uncanny oeuvre and Kafkaesque life story in a way that provides context and unlocks many of the secrets of his often cryptic body of work. Over the course of his career, Lovecraft—“the Copernicus of the horror story” (Fritz Leiber)—made a marked departure from the gothic style of his predecessors that focused mostly on ghosts, ghouls, and witches, instead crafting a vast mythos in which humanity is but a blissfully unaware speck in a cosmos shared by vast and ancient alien beings. One of the progenitors of "weird fiction," Lovecraft wrote stories suggesting that we share not just our reality but our planet, and even a common ancestry, with unspeakable, godlike creatures just one accidental revelation away from emerging from their epoch of hibernation and extinguishing both our individual sanity and entire civilization. Following his best-selling The New Annotated Sherlock Holmes, Leslie S. Klinger collects here twenty-two of Lovecraft’s best, most chilling "Arkham" tales, including "The Call of Cthulhu," At the Mountains of Madness, "The Whisperer in Darkness," "The Shadow Over Innsmouth," "The Colour Out of Space," and others. With nearly 300 illustrations, including full-color reproductions of the original artwork and covers from Weird Tales and Astounding Stories, and more than 1,000 annotations, this volume illuminates every dimension of H. P. Lovecraft and stirs the Great Old Ones in their millennia of sleep.

The Horror at Martin’s Beach-H. P. Lovecraft 2021-02-24 When captain James P. Orne and his crew kill a strange and enormous animal in the sea, they are confused. They have never seen anything like this before - the animal looks like a giant sea monster. They start to make money by letting people see the corpse of the animal. Animal experts, however, tell them that the monster was actually only a baby. One day, the corpse disappears... and the animal will have its revenge. H.P. Lovecraft (1890-1937) was an American horror writer. His best known works include 'The Call of Cthulhu' and 'the Mountains of Madness'. Most of his work was originally published in pulp magazines, and Lovecraft rose into fame only after his death at the age of 46. He has had a great influence in both horror and science fiction genres.

The Curious Case of H.P. Lovecraft-Paul Roland 2014-10-15 H.P. Lovecraft is widely regarded as one of the greatest writers of modern horror fiction and a pervasive influence on popular culture. His monstrous creations have influenced the look of films such as Alien, Hellboy and even Pirates of the Caribbean, while his fiction has inspired authors as diverse as Robert Bloch, Clive Barker and Neil Gaiman. In this comprehensive new biography, Paul Roland examines the life and work of the man Stephen King called 'the 20th century’s greatest practitioner of the classic horror tale', and reveals that Lovecraft’s vision was a projection of his inner demons, his recurring nightmares and his inability to live in what he considered a hostile world.

The Mammoth Book of Cthulhu-Paula Guran 2016-04-14 For more than 80 years H. P. Lovecraft has inspired writers of horror and supernatural fiction with his dark vision of humankind's insignificant place in a vast, uncaring cosmos. At the time of his death in 1937, Lovecraft was virtually unknown, but from early cult status his readership expanded exponentially; his nightmarish visions laying down roots in the collective imagination of his readers. Now this master of the macabre is accepted as part of the literary mainstream, as an American author of note, and the impact of his work on modern popular culture - in literature, film, television, music, the graphic arts, gaming and theatre - has been profound. As Stephen King wrote in Danse Macabre, the shadow of H. P. Lovecraft 'underlies almost all of the important horror fiction that has come since.' Today, Lovecraft's themes of cosmic indifference, the utter insignificance of humankind, minds invaded by the alien, and the horrors of history remain not only viable motifs for modern speculative fiction, but are more relevant than ever as we explore the mysteries of a universe in which our planet is infinitesimal. This outstanding anthology of original stories - from both established award-winning authors and exciting new voices - collects tales of cosmic horror inspired by Lovecraft from authors who do not merely imitate, but reimagine, re-energize, and renew the best of his concepts in ways relevant to today's readers, to create fresh new fiction that explores our modern fears and nightmares. From the depths of R'lyeh to the heights of the Mountains of Madness, some of today's best weird fiction writers traverse terrain created by Lovecraft and create new eldritch geographies to explore . . . With stories by: Laird Barron, Nadia Bulkin, Amanda Downum, Ruthanna Emrys, Richard Gavin, Lois H. Gresh, Lisa L. Hannett, Brian Hodge, Caitlín R. Kiernan, John Langan, Yoon Ha Lee, Usman T. Malik, Helen Marshall, Silvia Moreno, Norman Partridge, W. H. Pugmire, Veronica Schanoes, Michael Shea, John Shirley, Simon Strantzas, Sandra McDonald, Damien Angelica Walters, Don Webb, Michael Wehunt and A.C. Wise Praise for the editor: 'For fans of Lovecraftian fiction and well-wrought horror' - Library Journal 'Guran smartly selects stories that evoke the spirit of Lovecraft's work without mimicking its style.' - Publishers Weekly 'It's a pretty impressive line-up, with nary a clunker to be found. . . . You don't have to be a Lovecraft fan to enjoy this anthology... You'll find alienation, inhumanity, desperation, cruelty, insanity, hopelessness and despair, all set against the backdrop of a vast, unknowable universe filled with vile, indifferent monstrosities. You'll also find beauty, hope, redemption, and the struggle for survival. What more can you ask for?' - Tor.com 'I highly recommend this collection... If you have even the slightest interest in contemporary horror fiction, you'll want to try this one on for size!' - BookGuide

Lovecraft-L. Sprague deCamp 2011-09-29 LOVECRAFT THE MAN LOVECRAFT THE WRITER LOVECRAFT THE CULT FIGURE His name conjures macabre visions of ghoulish beasts, creeping monsters, ghastly fantasies. His stories have spawned a following that ranks him with Edgar Allan Poe and Lord Dunsany. But Lovecraft was himself the most bizarre of all his characters!

The Age of Lovecraft-Carl H. Sederholm 2016-04-01 Co-winner, Ray & Pat Browne Award for Best Edited Collection in Popular Culture and American Culture Howard Phillips Lovecraft, the American author of “weird tales” who died in 1937 impoverished and relatively unknown, has become a twenty-first-century star, cropping up in places both anticipated and unexpected. Authors, filmmakers, and shapers of popular culture like Stephen King, Neil Gaiman, and Guillermo del Toro acknowledge his influence; his fiction is key to the work of posthuman philosophers and cultural critics such as Graham Harman and Eugene Thacker; and Lovecraft’s creations have achieved unprecedented cultural ubiquity, even showing up on the animated program South Park. The Age of Lovecraft is the first sustained analysis of Lovecraft in relation to twenty-first-century critical theory and culture, delving into troubling aspects of his thought and writings. With contributions from scholars including Gothic expert David Punter, historian W. Scott Poole, musicologist Isabella van Elferen, and philosopher of the posthuman Patricia MacCormack, this wide-ranging volume brings together thinkers from an array of disciplines to consider Lovecraft’s contemporary cultural presence and its implications. Bookended by a preface from horror fiction luminary Ramsey Campbell and an extended interview with the central author of the New Weird, China Miéville, the collection addresses the question of “why Lovecraft, why now?” through a variety of approaches and angles. A must for scholars, students, and theoretically inclined readers interested in Lovecraft, popular culture, and intellectual trends, The Age of Lovecraft offers the most thorough examination of Lovecraft’s place in contemporary philosophy and critical theory to date as it seeks to shed light on the larger phenomenon of the dominance of weird fiction in the twenty-first century. Contributors: Jessica George; Brian Johnson, Carleton U; James Kneale, U College London; Patricia MacCormack, Anglia Ruskin U, Cambridge; Jed Mayer, SUNY New Paltz; China Miéville, Warwick U; W. Scott Poole, College of Charleston; David Punter, U of Bristol; David Simmons, Northampton U; Isabella van Elferen, Kingston U London.

The H. P. Lovecraft Companion-Philip A. Shreffler 1977 A discussion of the fantasy writer's literary theory precedes plot summaries of all his stories, a concordance of his characters, and a guide to his cycle of gods, demons, and monsters

Selected Letters-Howard Phillips Lovecraft 1968

An H.P. Lovecraft Encyclopedia-S. T. Joshi 2001 Provides a guide to Lovecraft's life and work covering his fiction, poetry, journalism, creatures and characters, friends, colleagues, and associates.

Derleth-Dorothy M. Grobe Litersky 1997

The Love of Ruins-Scott Cutler Shershow 2017-02-21 Explores issues related to race and religion in Lovecraft criticism. Today, H. P. Lovecraft is both more popular and controversial than ever: the influence of his “Cthulhu mythos” is everywhere in popular culture, his cosmic pessimism has reemerged as a major theme in contemporary philosophy, and his racism continues to spark controversy in the media. The Love of Ruins takes a fresh look at a figure widely acknowledged as the father of modern horror or “weird” fiction. In these pages, Lovecraft emerges not as the atheist and nihilist he is often claimed to be, but as a kind of “psychonaut” and mystic whose stories, through their own imaginative rigor, expose the intellectual bankruptcy of their author’s racism. The Love of Ruins is itself written in the form of letters, in order to do homage to Lovecraft’s love of the form of the personal letter (he wrote more than 100,000), and to emulate Lovecraft’s lifetime practice of thinking-as-corresponding. “The Love of Ruins ranks among the small handful of the very best Lovecraftian analyses. Erudite, sophisticated, and insightful, this volume is a pure joy to read. A must have for anyone interested in Lovecraft or the field of dark fantasy.” — Gary Hoppenstand, author of Clive Barker’s Short Stories: Imagination as Metaphor in the Books of Blood and Other Works

Xeethra-Clark Ashton Smith 1988 "This volume...gathers together some of the best-known accounts of Lovecraft the and writer, including W. Paul Cook's classic In Memoriam: Howard Phillips Lovecraft (1941) and Sonia H. Davis's The Private Life of H. P. Lovecraft, a moving discussion of her marriage to the Providence writer." --

Alcestis-Euripedes 2000-09-04 In the years before his death at age sixty-eight in 1998, Hughes translated several classical works with great energy and ingenuity. His Tales from Ovid was called "one of the great works of our century" (Michael Hofmann, The Times, London), his Oresteia of Aeschylus is considered the difinitive version, and his Phèdrewas acclaimed on stage in New York as well as London. Hughes's version of Euripides's Alcestis, the last of his translations, has the great brio of those works, and it is a powerful and moving conclusion to the great final phase of Hughes's career. Euripides was, with Aeschylus and Sophocles, one of the greatest of Greek dramatists. Alcestis tells the story of a king's grief for his wife, Alcestis, who has given her young life so that he may live. As translated by Hughes, the story has a distinctly modern sensibility while retaining the spirit of antiquity. It is a profound meditation on human mortality. Ted Hughes's last book of poems, Birthday Letters, won the Whitbread Book of the Year Prize. He was Poet Laureate to Queen Elizabeth II and lived in Devon, England until he died in 1998.

The Witchcraft of Ulua-Clark Ashton Smith 1988 "This volume...gathers together some of the best-known accounts of Lovecraft the and writer, including W. Paul Cook's classic In Memoriam: Howard Phillips Lovecraft (1941) and Sonia H. Davis's The Private Life of H. P. Lovecraft, a moving discussion of her marriage to the Providence writer." --

In the Mountains of Madness-W. Scott Poole 2016-08-22 This brilliant and page-turning book reveals the impotence of H.P. Lovecraft in a way no one has before--a survey of his life but, more importantly, an examination of his influence that stretches throughout the entertainment industry and into society as a whole. Interweaving the biography of the legendary writer with an exploration of Lovecraft as a phenomenon, In the Mountains of Madness strives to explain this reclusive, cultish figure while challenging some of the general views held by Lovecraft devotees. Focusing specifically on the large cross-section of horror and science fiction fans who know Lovecraft through films, role-playing games, and video games directly influenced by his work, but who know little or nothing about the man himself, In the Mountains of Madness places Lovecraft and his work in a cultural context, as an artist more in tune with our time than his own. More than a traditional biography, this provocative book reclaims the true essence of Lovecraft in relation to the comics of Joe Lansdale, the novels of Stephen King, and some of the biggest blockbuster films in contemporary America, proving the undying influence of this rare and significant figure.

The Night Ocean-Paul La Farge 2018-04-03 From the award-winning author and New Yorker contributor, a riveting novel about secrets and scandals, psychiatry and pulp fiction, inspired by the lives of H.P. Lovecraft and his circle. Marina Willett, M.D., has a problem. Her husband, Charlie, has become obsessed with H.P. Lovecraft, in particular with one episode in the legendary horror writer's life: In the summer of 1934, the "old gent" lived for two months with a gay teenage fan named Robert Barlow, at Barlow's family home in central Florida. What were the two of them up to? Were they friends--or something more? Just when Charlie thinks he's solved the puzzle, a new scandal erupts, and he disappears. The police say it's suicide. Marina is a psychiatrist, and she doesn't believe them. A tour-de-force of storytelling, The Night Ocean follows the lives of some extraordinary people: Lovecraft, the most influential American horror writer of the 20th century, whose stories continue to win new acolytes, even as his racist views provoke new critics; Barlow, a seminal scholar of Mexican culture who killed himself after being blackmailed for his homosexuality (and who collaborated with Lovecraft on the beautiful story "The Night Ocean"); his student, future Beat writer William S. Burroughs; and L.C. Spinks, a kindly Canadian appliance salesman and science-fiction fan -- the only person who knows the origins of The Erotonomicon, purported to be the intimate diary of Lovecraft himself. As a heartbroken Marina follows her missing husband's trail in an attempt to learn the truth, the novel moves across the decades and along the length of the continent, from a remote Ontario town, through New York and Florida to Mexico City. The Night Ocean is about love and deception -- about the way that stories earn our trust, and betray it.

Supernatural Horror in Literature-Howard Phillips Lovecraft 1973-01-01 The twentieth-century American writer discusses his literary techniques and philosophies along with the history and aesthetics of horror fiction

An Epicure in the Terrible-Howard Phillips Lovecraft 1991 To commemorate the centennial of the birth of H. P. Lovecraft, the editors have assembled essays by leading Lovecraft scholars that embody a wide variety of critical approaches. Biographical essays treat Lovecraft's relation to his parents and his heritage; thematic essays discuss issues such as the function of the narrator in his fiction; and the comparative and genre studies examine Lovecraft's relation to modernism.

Medusa's Coil-Howard Phillips Lovecraft 2020-12-08 "Medusa's Coil" by Howard Phillips Lovecraft, Zealia Bishop. Published by Good Press. Good Press publishes a wide range of titles that encompasses every genre. From well-known classics & literary fiction and non-fiction to forgotten–or yet undiscovered gems–of world literature, we issue the books that need to be read. Each Good Press edition has been meticulously edited and formatted to boost readability for all e-readers and devices. Our goal is to produce eBooks that are user-friendly and accessible to everyone in a high-quality digital format.

Necronomicon Press-Necronomicon Press 1986

The Horror at Red Hook-H. P. Lovecraft 2018-10-16 "The Horror at Red Hook" is a short story written by H. P. Lovecraft. The story begins with Detective Malone describing an on-duty incident at Red Hook, Brooklyn, that gave him a phobia of large buildings. Back-tracking to where it all began, Red Hook is described in detail, with its gangs and crime, and suggesting at an occult underbelly. The "case of Robert Suydam" is then told to be the driving force behind Malone's federally ordered involvement at Red Hook. Suydam's demeanor changes suddenly. Known as a shabby recluse, he is seen around town looking younger and more radiant. News arrives of his engagement to a well-to-do woman, while at the same time, there is an increase in local kidnappings. A police raid, involving Malone, uncovers nothing useful from Suydam's Red Hook flat save a few strange inscriptions. After Suydam's wedding, he and his bride leave on a ship. A scream is heard and when the crew enter Suydam's stateroom, they find him and his wife dead, with claw-marks on his wife's body. Malone enters Suydam's flat to see what he can find. In the basement, he comes across a door that breaks open and sucks him inside, revealing a hellish landscape. Malone is found in the basement of Suydam's flat, which has caved in inexplicably above him, killing everyone else inside. The tunnels and chambers uncovered in the raids are filled in and cemented, though as Malone recounts, Red Hook never changes.

Lovecraft, a Study in the Fantastic-Maurice Lévy 1988 Broader than a thematic study, however, Lévy's analysis is unique in his use of Lovecraft's work as a model for fantastic writing in general and in his provocative theory as to why Lovecraft wrote the sort of works he did.

Miscellaneous Writings-Howard Phillips Lovecraft 1995 A collection of the lesser-known short works of the most significant American horror writer between Poe and Stephen King. Includes correspondence, juvenilia, literary criticism, philosophical speculation, and eccentric travelogues, plus comments on his own creative aesthetic. Introductory notes to each section reveal the breadth of Lovecraft's intellectual curiosity and the gradual process of overcoming such self-imposed handicaps as dogmatism, racism, and intolerance. Lacks an index. Published by Arkham House, Sauk City, WI 53583. Annotation copyright by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

The Unique Legacy of Weird Tales-Justin Everett 2015-10-01 When the pulp magazine Weird Tales appeared on newsstands in 1923, it proved to be a pivotal moment in the evolution of speculative fiction. Living up to its nickname, “The Unique Magazine,” Weird Tales provided the first real venue for authors writing in the nascent genres of fantasy, horror, and science fiction. Weird fiction pioneers such as H. P. Lovecraft, Robert E. Howard, Clark Ashton Smith, Robert Bloch, Catherine L. Moore, and many others honed their craft in the pages of Weird Tales in the 1920s and 1930s, and their work had a tremendous influence on later generations of genre authors. In The Unique Legacy of Weird Tales: The Evolution of Modern Fantasy and Horror, Justin Everett and Jeffrey Shanks have assembled an impressive collection of essays that explore many of the themes critical to understanding the importance of the magazine. This multi-disciplinary collection from a wide array of scholars looks at how Weird Tales served as a locus of genre formation and literary discourse community. There are also chapters devoted to individual authors—including Lovecraft, Howard, and Bloch—and their particular contributions to the magazine. As the literary world was undergoing a revolution and mass-produced media began to dwarf high-brow literature in social significance, Weird Tales managed to straddle both worlds. This collection of essays explores the important role the magazine played in expanding the literary landscape at a very particular time and place in American culture. The Unique Legacy of Weird Tales will appeal to scholars and aficionados of fantasy, horror, and weird fiction and those interested in the early roots of these popular genres.

As If-Michael Saler 2012-01-09 Many people throughout the world "inhabit" imaginary worlds communally and persistently, parsing Harry Potter and exploring online universes. These activities might seem irresponsibly escapist, but history tells another story. Beginning in the late nineteenth century, when Sherlock Holmes became the world’s first "virtual reality" character, readers began to colonize imaginary worlds, debating serious issues and viewing reality in provisional, "as if" terms rather than through essentialist, "just so" perspectives. From Lovecraft's Cthulhu Mythos and Tolkien's Middle-earth to the World of Warcraft and Second Life, As If provides a cultural history that reveals how we can remain enchanted but not deluded in an age where fantasy and reality increasingly intertwine.

A Subtler Magick-S. T. Joshi 1996-12-01 He was the premier writer of horror fiction in the first half of the 20th Century, perhaps the major American practitioner of the art between the time of Edgar Allan Poe and Stephen King. Born into an upper middle class family in Providence, Rhode Island, Howard Phillips Lovecraft (1890-1937) had a lonely childhood, but read voraciously from his earliest years. He soon became interested in science and astronomy and began penning stories, poetry, and essays in great profusion, publishing them himself when no other market was available. The advent of Weird Tales in 1923 gave him a small outlet for his work, and he attracted a large number of followers, with whom he exchanged literally tens of thousands of letters, many of them quite lengthy. A number of these young correspondents eventually became professional writers and editors themselves. Lovecraft's fame began spreading beyond fandom with the publication of his first significant collection, The Outsider and Others, in 1939, two years after his untimely death. Book jacket.

H.P. Lovecraft-S. T. Joshi 1996 The author "has gone back to primary sources to set the record straight" on "the leading American writer of horror fiction in this century."--Cover.

A Dreamer and a Visionary-S. T. Joshi 2001-04-01 H. P. Lovecraft has come to be recognised as the leading author of supernatural fiction in the twentieth century. But how did a man who died in poverty, with no book of his stories published in his lifetime, become such an icon in horror literature? S. T. Joshi, the leading authority on Lovecraft, traces in detail the course of LovecraftOCOs life and shows how Lovecraft was engaged in the political, economic, social and intellectual currents of his time."

Selected Papers on Lovecraft-S. T. Joshi 1989

Lord of a Visible World-H. P. Lovecraft 2019-08 H. P. Lovecraft's letters are among the most remarkable literary documents of their time, and they are a major reason why he has become such an icon in contemporary culture. He wrote tens of thousands of letters, some of them of great length; but more than that, these letters are incredibly revelatory in the depth of detail they provide for all aspects of his life, work, and thought. This volume, first published in 2000, assembles generous extracts of Lovecraft's letters covering the entirety of his life, from childhood until his death. He tells of his youthful interests (poetry, Greco-Roman mythology, science), his childhood friends, and the "blank" period of 1908-13, after he dropped out of high school. He emerged from his hermitry in 1914 by joining the amateur journalism movement, where he became a leading figure and was involved in numerous literary and personal controversies. In 1921 Lovecraft became acquainted with Sonia Greene, whom he would marry in 1924. By that time, he had begun publishing in the pulp magazine Weird Tales. But his marriage was a failure: living in New York, he was unable find a job and found the teeming city so different from the tranquility of his native Providence, R.I. Returning home in 1926, he embarked on a tremendous literary outburst, and over the next ten years wrote many of the stories that have ensured his literary immortality. Lord of a Visible World is a riveting compilation that not only paints a full portrait of Lovecraft's life, writings, and philosophical beliefs, but features the piquant and engaging prose characteristic of his letters. In this new edition, the editors have updated all references to current editions of his work and also exhaustively revised their notes and commentary. TABLE OF CONTENTS Introduction [Biographical Notice] I. Childhood and Adolescence (1890-1914) II. Amateur Journalism (1914-1921) III. Expanding Horizons (1921-1924) IV. Marriage and Exile (1924-1926) V. Homecoming (1926-1930) VI. The Old Gentleman (1931-1937) Appendix: Some Notes on a Nonentity Glossary of Names Further Reading Index

Some of the Descendants of Asaph Phillips and Esther Whipple of Foster, Rhode Island-Kenneth W. Faig 1993 Asaph Phillips (1764-1829) was born in Scituate, Rhode Island, and died in Foster, R.I. He married 1787 in Foster, Esther Whipple (1767- 1842), the daughter of Benedict Whipple and Elizabeth Mathewson. Asaph or Asa Phillips was the son of James Phillips and his wife (also his second cousin) Anna Phillips. The earliest known ancestor, Michael Phillips (b. ca. 1630, d. bef. 1686), was born probably in England or Wales. He became a freeman of Newport, R.I. in 1668. Family members live on Rhode Island, in Illinois and elsewhere.

The Thing on the Doorstep-H. P. Lovecraft 2018-10-16 "The Thing on the Doorstep" is a story written by H. P. Lovecraft, part of the Cthulhu Mythos universe of horror fiction. Daniel Upton, the story's narrator, begins by telling that he has killed his best friend, Edward Derby, and that he hopes his account will prove that he is not a murderer. He begins by describing Derby's life and career. He then tells of Asenath Waite, and how Derby and she wed. A few years later, people start to notice a change in Derby's abilities. He confides in Upton, telling him strange stories of Asenath, and how he believes her father, Ephraim Waite, may not actually be dead. Upton is called to pick up Derby who has been found in Chesuncook, Maine, rambling incoherently. On the trip back, Derby tells of Asenath using his body, and suggests that it is in fact Ephraim who resides in the body of Asenath. Before finishing, he has a small seizure and rapidly changes personality, asking Upton to ignore what he might have just said. A few months later, Derby shows up at Upton's door and says he has found a way to keep Asenath away; to stop her from using his body. Derby finishes renovations on his old family house, yet seems strangely reluctant to leave Asenath's old place. Upton receives a visit from Derby, who begins raving about his wife and father-in-law. Upton gets him to sleep, but has Derby taken to Arkham Sanitarium. The Sanitarium calls Upton to tell him that Derby's "reason has suddenly come back", though upon visiting, Upton can see it is not the true personality of Edward Derby. Upton is roused from his sleep by a knocking at his door, using "Edward's old signal of three-and-two strokes". Upton believes it may be Derby, but opens his door to find a "dwarfed, humped" messenger, carrying a letter from Derby. The letter explains that Derby had in fact killed Asenath and buried her body in their cellar. Despite this, Asenath had managed to take control of his body while he was in the Sanitarium, meaning that "the thing on the doorstep" was actually Derby inhabiting Asenath's putrefying corpse. The note implores Upton to go to the sanitarium to kill Derby, who has been permanently possessed by Asenath-Ephraim's soul. Upton does so, thus hopefully banishing Asenath-Ephraim's soul to the hereafter, though he reveals that he is afraid of having his soul transferred as well.

Extrapolation- 1985

The Private Life Of H.P. Lovecraft/Sonia H. Davis

The Weird Tale-S. T. Joshi 2003 The leading critic of supernatural literature here examines the roots of the "weird tale" (as Lovecraft called it) through detailed examinations of five "founding fathers" of the genre: Arthur Machen, Lord Dunsany, Algernon Blackwood, M.R. James, and H.P. Lovecraft. The result is a thorough study of the art, craft, philosophy, and aesthetics of an enduring genre of fantastic literature.

The New Annotated H.P. Lovecraft: Beyond Arkham-H.P. Lovecraft 2019-09-24 A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice Selection "The most exciting and definitive collection of Lovecraft's work out there." -Danielle Trussoni, New York Times Book Review No lover of gothic literature will want to be without this literary keepsake, the final volume of Leslie Klinger's tour-de-force chronicle of Lovecraft's canon. In 2014, The New Annotated H. P. Lovecraft was published to widespread acclaim—vaunted as a “treasure trove” (Joyce Carol Oates) for Lovecraft aficionados and general readers, alike. Hailed by Harlan Ellison as an “Olympian landmark of modern gothic literature,” the volume included twenty-two of Lovecraft's original stories. Now, in this final volume, best-selling author Leslie S. Klinger reanimates twenty-five additional stories, the balance of Lovecraft's significant fiction, including “Rats in the Wall,” a post- World War I story about the terrors of the past, and the newly contextualized “The Horror at Red Hook,” which recently has been adapted by best-selling novelist Victor LaValle. In following Lovecraft's own literary trajectory, readers can witness his evolution from Rhode Island critic to prescient literary genius whose titanic influence would only be appreciated decades after his death. Including hundreds of eye-opening annotations and dozens of rare images, Beyond Arkham finally provides the complete picture of Lovecraft's unparalleled achievements in fiction.

New England's Gothic Literature-Faye Ringel 1995 This comprehensive comparative approach to the folklore, fantasy, and horror literature of New England stretches from the earliest European exploration to Stephen King, John Updike, and Shirley Jackson. Includes interviews with Les Daniels, Grandt, and other horror writers who reside or set their stories in New England.

Halloween-Ray Bradbury 2011-09-13 A collection of short stories from such authors as Ray Bradbury, H.P. Lovecraft, F. Paul Wilson, and Chelsea Quinn Yarbro explore the attractions and the horrors of the Halloween season.

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