

## Invisible Footsteps Playing Dead



For more than 2000 years this house has been in place but with someone's death, everything started to shatter. Blood was everywhere, dozens of detectives and policemen appeared at the scene which appeared to be her own mansion, her own room. The body was nowhere to be found. You may now wonder who this might be...whose blood? Whose body?

Charlotte de Vermont..

A young 29-year-old woman known for her fortune left by her dead parents which she further built, she was known by everyone, Oxfordshire was where her mansion was. Her death could've been caused by anyone jealous of her fortune, she was a determined woman with a fortune who she protected and didn't brag about it, she was modest. However, this was not just a simple crime, the type of crime in which newspapers always tell us the same things. They only change the dates, photographs, names, the victim and the perpetrator(s). This was a crime where the suspect took off at the crime scene with Olympian speed and the police officers together with the detectives immediately began searching the area, where photographs at the scene mysteriously turned out to be blank because...there was no body...

Everyone in the house and who often came to the house were on the suspect list. Even if Charlotte was known by everyone, getting into her mansion was no easy thing. It was a fine Victorian mansion, with a breathtaking fountain in the middle of the court yard. Charlotte used to roam around the quiet mansion until she found where everyone was, she had many people taking care of the household, all good friends of her beloved parents. Who could've killed her?

"On that night Charlotte wasn't able to sleep, her footsteps were easily heard from downstairs, fast and there was a wet sound as if someone was walking on the grass; this person was not able to walk quietly , each footfall had a chaotic sound from the last. Footsteps like the heart of a condemned prisoner." That's what Penelope was able to recall so she told the detectives everything.



"Lock the doors, windows and every smallest escape from this mansion. No one will get to leave nor close an eye until we find where the body is and who is at fault!" Detective Moore's loud voice was heard in the whole household.

Doors were immediately closed and locked but not before the other two detectives weirdly stared at each other and then at Sebastian. Sebastian Coole was one of the people in the suspect list however no one would suspect him because he was Charlotte's cousin, however they never gotten well together, he was only there because Charlotte's grandfather Mr Vermont greatly encouraged them to support each other and perhaps work together as they were both successful people however Sebastian did not compare to his "dearest" cousin and her fortune which he always admired. He paid attention to every detail about her life and finances but the question is why were the detectives looking at him? Was he the main suspect?

Charlotte did have many people that wanted her fortune but she had 3 good friends whom she knew since she was just a little girl. Penelope, Josephine and Genevieve. All 4 were inseparable and they never harmed each other in any way but even the closest person at heart could easily stab you in the back and that's something Charlotte got to know.

Questions after question. Detective Moore was determined to find out who it was because he knew Charlotte personally and he knew that someone from this household was at fault.

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More than a week has passed since Charlotte went missing. All the guests within the house stood there for nearly 3 days, they stepped no foot outside nor foot inside the house. It felt like a case that was not going to get solved anytime soon because none of the suspects were getting a word out.

The detectives investigated and looked around the whole mansion but found nothing. There was blood only in Charlotte's death and the blood was hers. Detectives Ross and Hart seemed to spend a lot of time with Sebastian Coole as if he was the culprit or perhaps they had something important to discuss. Genevieve was also very distant. Their behaviours made it very obvious that someone in the house has done something but who? Detective



Moore searched everywhere, he looked at every person in the house, he listened to others conversations, checked letters, emails, messages within Charlotte's room but there was nothing. However as Moore started to look even at the most insignificant places around the room he noticed two things. One a cigarette case with the initials 'S.C' could this be Sebastian Coole? Why would he have a cigarette case in his cousin's room? The second thing was a light pink earring covered in blood. These clues were going to make the detective go straight to these two people and interrogate them.

When he entered the room, the tension had risen as if they knew he found something. He straight looked at Genevieve who was wearing the exact same earring and had only one and at Sebastian who earlier on the day mentioned he lost his cigarette case. He rapidly told the other two detectives to arrest them. This was not all... the wet footsteps were heard again but this time behind the bookshelf. Suddenly this slides and Charlotte comes out looking exactly the same but her body seems full of scars and bruises. A grin on her face rapidly appeared, everyone was shocked. She slowly approaches More and gives him a tape... this was going to have everything he ever wanted. That tape had every conversation he was not able to hear and now he was able to keep playing the game of who did what but with answers.

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