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12.40 a.m. Copenhagen. Cotton Malone wakes up to find a stranger in his house, bearing bad news: Malone's closest and most dangerous friend, Henrik Thorvaldsen, is in serious trouble - and the men who want to kill Thorvaldsen are on Malone's doorstep. Thorvaldsen has been tracking a shadowy group called the Paris Club. Not only does he believe that they are about to trigger a global financial meltdown, but also that one of the club's members murdered his son, Cai, two years ago. Thorvaldsen won't rest until he has avenged his boy's death. Dragged into his friend's schemes and secretly under pressure from the US government to stop both Thorvaldsen and the Paris Club, Malone soon discovers that the key to defeating the conspiracy and saving his friend's life - and his own - lies in the past, and an astounding treasure that Napoleon took to his grave. When, after years of tough negotiations, North Korea's Kim Jong Il suddenly agrees to surrender all of his nuclear weapons, a suspicious U.S. government sends the First Team in to stop a mysterious conspiracy plotting a full-scale nuclear attack.

Ex-agent Cotton Malone wants to know what really happened to his father, officially lost at sea when his submarine went down in the north

Atlantic in 1971. But when he uses his government contacts to obtain the submarine's sealed file, he finds he is not the only person looking for answers. Malone is in the line of fire when he is attacked in an attempt to take the file. He is pitched into a lethal power struggle between Dorothea Lindauer and Christl Falk, twin sisters whose twisted ambition takes sibling rivalry to new levels. Malone and the twins embark on a dangerous adventure involving Nazi explorations in Antarctica, US government conspiracies, and a series of cryptic historical clues built into the legend of Charlemagne. Forced to choose a side when neither can win, Malone is determined to uncover the truth behind his father's death - but will he be able to escape his own?

The Malta Exchange

The Plague Year

The Devil's Bones

The Balkan Escape ebook

The Knights of the Golden Circle was the largest and most dangerous clandestine organization in American history. It amassed billions in stolen gold and silver, all buried in hidden caches across the United States. Since 1865 treasure hunters have searched, but little of that immense wealth has ever been found. Now, one hundred and sixty years later, two factions of what remains of the Knights of the Golden Circle want that lost treasure—one to spend it for their own ends, the other to preserve it. Thrust into this battle is former Justice Department agent Cotton Malone, whose connection to the knights is far deeper than he ever imagined. At the center is the Smithsonian Institution—linked to the knights, its treasure, and Malone himself through an ancestor, a Confederate spy named Angus "Cotton" Adams, whose story holds the key to everything. Complicating matters are the political ambitions of a reckless Speaker of the House and the bitter widow of a United

States Senator, who together are planning radical changes to the country. And while Malone and Cassiopeia Vitt face the past, ex-president Danny Daniels and Stephanie Nelle confront a new and unexpected challenge, a threat that may cost one of them their life. From the backrooms of the Smithsonian to the deepest woods in rural Arkansas, and finally up into the rugged mountains of northern New Mexico, *The Lost Order* by Steve Berry is a perilous adventure into our country's dark past, and a potentially even darker future.

The U.S. and its Western allies come under a diabolical Russian cyber warfare attack in this action-packed military techno-thriller from New York Times bestselling master Dale Brown. In a top-secret location deep in the Ural Mountains, Russian President Gennadiy Gryzlov has built his nation's most dangerous weapon since the atomic bomb—a fearsome tool to gain superiority in Russia's long-running battle with the West. From inside Perun Aerie—an intricate network of underground tunnels and chambers that is the heart of the Russian cyber warfare program—he is launching a carefully plotted series of attacks on an unsuspecting U.S. and its European allies. The first strike targets Warsaw, Poland, where Russian malware wipes out the records of nearly every Polish bank account, imploding the country's financial system and panicking the rest of Europe. When Stacy Anne

Barbeau, the besieged American president, fails to effectively combat the Russian threat, Brad McLanahan, on some well-earned R&R with his new Polish girlfriend, Major Nadia Rozek, is called back to duty. As the Russians' deadly tactics escalate—including full-scale assaults on Europe's power grid and the remote hijacking of a commercial airliner that kills hundreds of civilians—McLanahan and his Scion team kick into gear, arming themselves with the most advanced technological weaponry for the epic struggle ahead. A patriot in the mold of his father, the late general Patrick McLanahan, Brad knows firsthand the price of freedom. With the world's fate hanging in the balance, will Scion succeed in turning back Gryzlov before he can realize his terrifying ambition to conquer the globe? And what will the toll of victory be?

American President Cotton Malone tackles the secrets of Mormonism, a U.S. Senator's stealthy secession plan, and a history-shaping letter that was handed down through the chief executive line.

Receiving an anonymous note containing an unfamiliar web address, former government operative Cotton Malone logs on to discover Cassiopeia Vitt being tortured by a mysterious perpetrator who orders Cotton to deliver an unknown object. By the best-selling author of *The Templar Legacy*. Reprint.

A Novel

The Third Secret

America in the Time of COVID Proceedings and Debates of the ... Congress

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Earl Ray. But that may not have been the case. Now, fifty years later, former Justice Department agent Cotton Malone must reckon with what really happened on that fateful day in Memphis. It all turns on an incident from eighteen years ago, when Malone, a young Navy lawyer trying hard not to live up to his maverick reputation, is asked by Stephanie Nelle at the Justice Department to help with an investigation. He soon discovers that the Department and the FBI are at war over a hugely valuable rare coin - and a cache of secret files containing explosive revelations about the King assassination, information that could ruin innocent lives and threaten the legacy of the civil rights movement's greatest martyr. Malone's decision to see his first case through to the end - from the clear waters of the Dry Tortugas to the halls of power in Washington D.C. itself - not only changes his own life, but the course of history.

"Brown is excellent." —San Francisco Chronicle Dale Brown, whose books live on the New York Times bestseller list—alongside the novels of Vince Flynn, Brad Thor, and other superstars of the military adventure genre—triumphs again with *Rogue Forces*. A riveting and relentlessly exciting thriller, *Rogue Forces* explores a timely and important question in this age of Blackwell and Halliburton: What would happen if the Army's private security contractors became uncontrollably powerful? Brown's popular character, Patrick McLanahan, is going *Rogue* in this chillingly plausible adventure that further solidifies Dale Brown's reputation as "the best military writer in the country" (Clive Cussler). A mysterious manuscript discovered in the tomb of Charlemagne sends Cotton Malone on a perilous international quest to the harsh world of Antarctica in pursuit of the truth about the death of his father on a classified sub mission beneath Antarctica.

Featuring the signature character of New York Times bestselling author Steve Berry, the Cotton Malone novels fuse page-turning suspense and fascinating historical insight into one heart-stopping thriller after another. "In Malone, Berry has created a classic, complex hero."—USA Today A former Justice Department operative who can't seem to stay out of trouble, Cotton Malone has crisscrossed the globe on electrifying quests. With the smart and sexy Cassiopeia Vitt by his side, Malone faces down the world's deadliest terrorists, assassins, and con men—and unravels some of history's most legendary and iconic mysteries along the way. Now in one exclusive eBook bundle are the first nine novels of Steve Berry's extraordinary series: *THE TEMPLAR LEGACY* *THE ALEXANDRIA LINK* *THE VENETIAN BETRAYAL* *THE CHARLEMAGNE PURSUIT* *THE PARIS VENDETTA* *THE EMPEROR'S TOMB* *THE JEFFERSON KEY* *THE KING'S DECEPTION* *THE LINCOLN MYTH* Also includes the eBook short stories "The Balkan Escape," "The Devil's Gold," and "The Admiral's Mark," as well as the novella *The Tudor Plot!* Praise for Steve Berry and his Cotton Malone novels "Steve Berry gets better and better with each new book."—The Huffington Post "Berry has

become the king of intrigue. You don't just read a Steve Berry novel. You live it."—James Rollins "Berry raises this genre's stakes."—The New York Times "I love this guy."—#1 internationally bestselling author Lee Child "Malone, a hero with a personal stake in the proceedings, is a welcome respite from the cold, calculating superspies who litter the genre."—Entertainment Weekly "Richly detailed and fantastically suspenseful, this thriller grips the reader for a wild literary ride that continues until the very last page."—Tucson Citizen, on *The Templar Legacy* "Bigger than life . . . The reader will be engaged from the first page, thrilled by the story, entertained by the characters, and spellbound by the author's sheer bravado. A must for high-adventure thriller fans."—Booklist, on *The Venetian Betrayal* "[An] amazing blend of suspense and history . . . [Readers] cannot go wrong with Cotton Malone."—Library Journal, on *The Paris Vendetta* "A superbly paced novel of mystery and adventure . . . [Berry's] love of history resonates throughout this lively and imaginative tale."—The Denver Post, on *The Jefferson Key* "A Dan Brown-ian secular conspiracy about the Virgin Queen driving nonstop international intrigue."—Kirkus Reviews, on *The King's Deception* *The Kaiser's Web* *The Jefferson Key* *The Paris Vendetta* *The Charlemagne Pursuit* Awakened by a housebreaking stranger who is revealed to be a friend of Henrik Thorvaldsen and the father of a young man he once tried to save, Cotton Malone flees with the intruder when they are pursued by a shadowy organization.

Cassiopeia Vitt takes center stage in this exciting novella from New York Times bestsellers M.J. Rose and Steve Berry. In the French mountain village of Eze, Cassiopeia visits an old friend who owns and operates the fabled Museum of Mysteries, a secretive place of the odd and arcane. When a robbery occurs at the museum, Cassiopeia gives chase to the thief and is plunged into a firestorm. Through a mix of modern day intrigue and ancient alchemy, Cassiopeia is propelled back and forth through time, the inexplicable journeys leading her into a hotly contested French presidential election. Both candidates harbor secrets they would prefer to keep quiet, but an ancient potion could make that impossible. With intrigue that begins in southern France and ends in a chase across the streets of Paris, this magical, fast-paced, hold-your-breath thriller is all you've come to expect from M.J. Rose and Steve Berry.

As a favor to enigmatic billionaire Henrik Thorvaldsen, Cassiopeia Vitt treks into Bulgaria's Rila mountains in search of a buried stash of exceedingly rare artifacts from a bygone civilization: the ancient tomb of a Thracian king. But when her presence is discovered by a shadowy group of Russians secretly mining the area, she needs a way out. Who to trust becomes the question, and her life depends on choosing

the right option.

In New York Times bestseller Steve Berry's latest Cotton Malone adventure, a secret dossier from a World War II-era Soviet spy comes to light containing information that, if proven true, would not only rewrite history — it could impact Germany's upcoming national elections and forever alter the political landscape of Europe. Two candidates are vying to become Chancellor of Germany. One is a patriot having served for the past sixteen years, the other a usurper, stoking the flames of nationalistic hate. Both harbor secrets, but only one knows the truth about the other. They are on a collision course, all turning on the events of one fateful day — April 30, 1945 — and what happened deep beneath Berlin in the Führerbunker. Did Adolph Hitler and Eva Braun die there? Did Martin Bormann, Hitler's close confidant, manage to escape? And, even more important, where did billions in Nazi wealth disappear to in the waning days of World War II? The answers to these questions will determine who becomes the next Chancellor of Germany. From the mysterious Chilean lake district, to the dangerous mesas of South Africa, and finally into the secret vaults of Switzerland, former-Justice Department agent Cotton Malone discovers the truth about the fates of Hitler, Braun, and Bormann. Revelations that could not only transform Europe, but finally expose a mystery known as the Kaiser's web.

The Patriot Threat

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The Venetian Betrayal

"The result is a thriller that intrigues and provides historical context. Berry is the master scientist with a perfect formula." — Associated Press One of USA Today's "Five Books Not to Miss!" A deadly race for the Vatican's oldest secret fuels New York Times bestseller Steve Berry's latest international Cotton Malone thriller. The pope is dead. A conclave to select his replacement is about to begin. Cardinals are beginning to arrive at the Vatican, but one has fled Rome for Malta in search of a document that dates back to the 4th century and Constantine the Great. Former Justice Department operative, Cotton Malone, is at Lake Como, Italy, on the trail of legendary letters between Winston Churchill and Benito Mussolini that disappeared in 1945 and could rewrite history. But someone else seems to be after the same letters and, when Malone obtains them loses them, he's plunged into a hunt that draws the attention of the

legendary Knights of Malta. The knights have existed for over nine hundred years, the only warrior-monks to survive into modern times. Now they are a global humanitarian organization, but within their ranks lurks trouble — the Secreti — an ancient sect intent on affecting the coming papal conclave. With the help of Magellan Billet agent Luke Daniels, Malone races the rogue cardinal, the knights, the Secreti, and the clock to find what has been lost for centuries. The final confrontation culminates behind the walls of the Vatican where the election of the next pope hangs in the balance. Ex-secret agent Cotton Malone and his partner, the enigmatic Cassiopeia Vitt, are pitted against ruthless Central Asian dictator Irina Zovastina as they scour the globe in search of the final resting place of Alexander the Great, unaware that his grave holds the key to a deadly modern mystery that could save the lives of millions. Reprint.

Where should we go? All that we knew is gone, and all that we have is each other... In this short story from the thrilling anthology MatchUp, bestselling authors Diana Gabaldon and Steve Berry—along with their popular series characters Jamie Fraser and Cotton Malone—team up for the first time ever.

The Amber Room is one of the greatest treasures ever made by man: an entire room forged of exquisite amber, from its four massive walls to its finely crafted furniture. But it is also the subject of one of history's most intriguing mysteries. Originally commissioned in 1701 by Frederick I of Prussia, the Room was later perfected in Tsarskoe Selo, the Russian imperial city. In 1941, German troops invaded the Soviet Union, looting everything in their wake and seizing the Amber Room. When the Allies began the bombing of Germany in August 1944, the Room was hidden. And despite the best efforts of treasure hunters and art collectors from around the world, it has never been seen again. Now, two powerful men have set their best operatives loose in pursuit, and the hunt has begun once more. . . . Life is good

for Atlanta judge Rachel Cutler. She loves her job, loves her kids, and remains civil to her ex-husband, Paul. But everything changes when her father, a man who survived the horrors of World War II, dies under strange circumstances—and leaves behind clues to a secret he kept his entire life . . . a secret about something called the Amber Room. Desperate to know the truth about her father's suspicious dealings, Rachel takes off for Germany, with Paul close behind. Shortly after arriving, they find themselves involved with a cast of shadowy characters who all claim to share their quest. But as they learn more about the history of the treasure they seek, Rachel and Paul realize they're in way over their heads. Locked in a treacherous game with ruthless professional killers and embroiled in a treasure hunt of epic proportions, Rachel and Paul suddenly find themselves on a collision course with the forces of power, evil, and history itself. A brilliant adventure and a scintillating tale of intrigue, deception, art, and murder, The Amber Room is a classic tale of suspense—and the debut of a strong new voice in the world of the international thriller. From the Hardcover edition. Larry Bond's First Team: Fires of War The Columbus Affair Price of Duty The Cotton Malone Series 9-Book Bundle Beginning with the absolutely critical first moments of the outbreak in China, and ending with an epilogue on the vaccine rollout and the unprecedented events between the election of Joseph Biden and his inauguration, Lawrence Wright's The Plague Year surges forward with essential information--and fascinating historical parallels--examining the medical, economic, political, and social ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic. The first case of New York Times bestseller Steve Berry's iconic hero, Cotton Malone. History notes that the ugly feud between J. Edgar Hoover and Martin Luther King, Jr., marked by years of illegal surveillance and the accumulation of secret files, ended on April 4, 1968 when King was assassinated by James Earl Ray. But that may not have been the case. Now,

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possesses the information they need to succeed. At stake is an explosive ancient document with the potential not only to change the destiny of the Middle East but to shake the world's three major religions to their very foundations. Pursued by a lethal mercenary, Malone crosses the globe in search of answers. His quest will lead him to England and Portugal, even to the highest levels of American government — and the shattering outcome, deep in the Sinai desert, will have worldwide repercussions. **BONUS:** This edition contains an excerpt from Steve Berry's *The Columbus Affair* and a Cotton Malone dossier. Haunted by the secrets revealed in 1917 in Fatima, Portugal, the obsession of Pope Clement XV leads to intrigue at the Vatican as Alberto Cardinal Valendrea, the Vatican's Secretary of State, plots to bring down the troubled pontiff. *Rogue Forces*
The Templar Legacy
Congressional Record
The Warsaw Protocol
Cotton Malone battles a group of families whose influence dates back to the U.S. Constitution and who seeks to crack a code devised by Thomas Jefferson himself in their quest for power. Reprint. When his beloved daughter falls in the clutches of a ruthless zealot, disgraced journalist Tom Sagan risks everything to embark on a perilous quest from Florida through Prague to Jamaica in search of an invaluable historical treasure. By the best-selling author of *The Jefferson Key*. 125,000 first printing. In this short story from the thrilling anthology *FaceOff*, New York Times bestselling authors Steve Berry and James Rollins — along with their popular characters Cotton Malone and Gray Pierce — team up for the first time ever. In a visit to Copenhagen, Gray Pierce happened upon a bookshop owned by an ex-lawyer named Cotton Malone, but he never had a chance to really get to know the owner. Too bad, because they had a lot in common: Both men were ex-military, both worked for covert agencies — Malone as a freelancer under the auspices of the Justice Department; Pierce via the Department of Defense — and both are good at what they do. Flash forward a few years to when Malone and Pierce finally get together for more than a passing hello. Halfway around the world from Denmark, Malone and Pierce are passengers on a luxury

riverboat out of Brazil, both on the hunt for a maniacal botanist who's scheming to sell the spoils of his latest Amazonian excursion — a rare orchid containing a deadly neurotoxin — to the highest bidder. That means Malone and Pierce have the length of the riverboat cruise to stop him before the poison falls into the wrong hands. It's definitely an action-packed several hours. For more exciting pairs, check out all eleven short stories in *FaceOff!* **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** • This Cotton Malone adventure blends gripping contemporary political intrigue, Tudor treachery, and high-octane thrills into one riveting novel of suspense. Cotton Malone and his fifteen-year-old son, Gary, are headed to Europe. As a favor to his former boss at the Justice Department, Malone agrees to escort a teenage fugitive back to England. But after he is greeted at gunpoint in London, both the fugitive and Gary disappear, and Malone learns that he's stumbled into a high-stakes diplomatic showdown — an international incident fueled by geopolitical gamesmanship and shocking Tudor secrets. At its heart is the Libyan terrorist convicted of bombing Pan Am Flight 103, who is set to be released by Scottish authorities for "humanitarian reasons." An outraged American government objects, but nothing can persuade the British to intervene. Except, perhaps, Operation King's Deception. Run by the CIA, the operation aims to solve a centuries-old mystery, one that could rock Great Britain to its royal foundations. Blake Antrim, the CIA operative in charge of King's Deception, is hunting for the spark that could rekindle a most dangerous fire, the one thing that every Irish national has sought for generations: a legal reason why the English must leave Northern Ireland. The answer is a long-buried secret that calls into question the legitimacy of the entire forty-five-year reign of Elizabeth I, the last Tudor monarch, who completed the conquest of Ireland and seized much of its land. But Antrim also has a more personal agenda, a twisted game of revenge in which Gary is a pawn. With dangerous disciples of a secret society closing in, Malone is caught in a lethal bind. To save Gary he must play one treacherous player against another — and only by uncovering the incredible truth can he hope to prevent the shattering consequences of the King's Deception. Don't miss Steve Berry's novella *The Tudor Plot* and an

excerpt from *The Lincoln Myth* in the back of the book. Praise for *The King's Deception* "A Dan Brown-ian secular conspiracy about the Virgin Queen driving nonstop international intrigue." —Kirkus Reviews Praise for Steve Berry "Berry raises this genre's stakes." —The New York Times "I love this guy." —#1 New York Times bestselling author Lee Child "Forget Clancy and Cussler. When it comes to this genre, there is simply no one better." —The Providence Journal

The Tudor Plot: A Cotton Malone Novella
The Lincoln Myth
The Alexandria Link
The 14th Colony
 In this original eBook novella by the New York Times bestselling author of *The King's Deception*, globetrotting intelligence agent Cotton Malone is lured into dangerous intrigue surrounding the world's most famous royals—and uncovers a murderous conspiracy of terrorists and traitors, all born from an ancient tale of Saxon history. "In *Malone*, [Steve] Berry has created a classic, complex hero." —USA Today

In England to participate in the trial of suspected international terrorists, Justice Department agent Cotton Malone is mysteriously summoned to an audience with the Queen of England. A cryptic call has warned of looming danger to the ailing queen's son and grandson—the next two heirs in line for the throne. And when the source of that ominous information, a notorious tabloid publisher, dies mysteriously, the royal family has reason to fear a genuine conspiracy. But they also suspect that the enemy lies within—and no one at Buckingham Palace, or even the nation's own Secret Intelligence Service, can be trusted. Now it's up to Malone to discover the truth. Matching wits with a power-mad politician and a vicious royal blue blood, he must race against time through the streets of London to the forbidden reaches of Iceland, all to stop a monstrous plot to seize the monarchy—one that stretches back to the time of Arthur. Praise for Steve Berry and his Cotton Malone series "Malone, a hero with a personal stake in the proceedings, is a welcome respite from the cold, calculating superspies who litter the genre." —Entertainment Weekly "Steve Berry gets better and better with each new book." —The Huffington Post "Savvy readers . . . cannot go wrong with Cotton Malone." —Library Journal "Berry raises this genre's

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When his son is kidnapped, Cotton Malone discovers a link to a conspiracy involving the lost contents of the Library of Alexandria, a priceless treasury of thousands of ancient manuscripts that vanished more than 1,500 years ago.

When political tensions between the United States and England put his son, Gary, in the hands of a man with a personal agenda, Cotton Malone finds himself confronting a baffling historical mystery that questions the legitimacy of Elizabeth I.

Steve Berry's New York Times bestseller, *The Patriot Threat*, finds Cotton Malone racing to stop a rogue ex-KGB agent plotting revenge against the United States. The 16th Amendment to the Constitution is why Americans pay income taxes. But what if there were problems associated with that amendment? Secrets that call into question decades of tax collecting? In fact, there is a surprising truth to this hidden possibility. Cotton Malone, once a member of an elite intelligence division within the Justice Department known as the Magellan Billet, is now retired and owns an old bookshop in Denmark. But when his former-boss, Stephanie Nelle, asks him to track a rogue North Korean who may have acquired some top secret Treasury Department files—the kind that could bring the United States to its knees—Malone is vaulted into a harrowing twenty-four hour chase that begins on the canals in Venice and ends in the remote highlands of Croatia. With appearances by Franklin Roosevelt, Andrew Mellon, a curious painting that still hangs in the National Gallery of Art, and some eye-opening revelations from the \$1 bill, this riveting, non-stop adventure is trademark Steve Berry—90% historical fact, 10% exciting speculation—a provocative thriller posing a dangerous question: What if the Federal income tax is illegal?

Cotton Malone vs. Gray Pierce
The Amber Room
The Emperor's Tomb
The King's Deception
 In New York Times bestseller Steve Berry's latest Cotton Malone adventure, one by one the seven precious relics of the Arma Christi, the weapons of Christ, are disappearing from sanctuaries across the world. After former Justice Department agent Cotton

Malone witnesses the theft of one of them, he learns from his old boss, Stephanie Nelle, that a private auction is about to be held where incriminating information on the president of Poland will be offered to the highest bidder—blackmail that both the United States and Russia want, but for vastly different reasons. The price of admission to that auction is one of the relics, so Malone is first sent to a castle in Poland to steal the Holy Lance, a thousand-year-old spear sacred to not only Christians but to the Polish people, and then on to the auction itself. But nothing goes as planned and Malone is thrust into a bloody battle between three nations over information that, if exposed, could change the balance of power in Europe. From the tranquil canals of Bruges, to the elegant rooms of Wawel Castle, to deep beneath the earth into an ancient Polish salt mine, Malone is caught in the middle of a deadly war—the outcome of which turns on a secret known as the Warsaw Protocol.

A tale inspired by debates surrounding 16th Amendment tax collection practices finds Cotton Malone pulled out of retirement to track a rogue North Korean who may have acquired top-secret Treasury Department files capable of decimating the U.S. economy. By the New York Times best-selling author.

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The King's Deception (with bonus novella *The Tudor Plot*)

The Museum of Mysteries: A

Cassiopeia Vitt Novella

The Lost Order

The Bishop's Pawn

Former secret agent Cotton Malone and Stephanie Nelle, a U.S. Justice Department prosecutor, must solve the mystery of fourteenth-century Templar riches and secrets before Raymond de Roquefort and his murderous allies prevail.

What happens if both the president and vice-president-elect die before taking the oath of office? The answer is far from certain in fact, what follows would be nothing short of total political chaos. Shot down over Siberia, ex-Justice Department agent Cotton Malone is forced into a fight for survival against Aleksandr Zorin, a man whose loyalty to the former Soviet Union has festered for decades into an intense hatred of the United States. Before escaping, Malone learns that Zorin and another ex-KGB officer, this one a sleeper still embedded in the West, are headed overseas to Washington D.C. Noon on January 20th? Inauguration Day is only hours away. A flaw in the Constitution, and an even more flawed presidential succession act, have opened the door to disaster and Zorin intends to exploit both weaknesses to their fullest. Armed with a weapon leftover from the Cold War, one long thought to be just a myth, Zorin plans to attack. He's aided by a shocking secret hidden in the archives of America's oldest fraternal organization the Society of Cincinnati a group that once lent out its military savvy to presidents, including helping to formulate three invasion plans of what was intended to be America's 14th colony? Canada. In a race against the clock that starts in the frozen extremes of Russia and ultimately ends at the White House itself, Malone must not only battle Zorin, he must also confront a crippling fear that he's long denied, but which now jeopardizes everything. Steve Berry's trademark mix of history and speculation is all here in this provocative new thriller.