

Chapter One.

As he entered the building the alarm went off. The sort of mistake you would expect an amateur to make, which was even more surprising as Connor Fitzgerald was considered to be the Proffers' professional.

on that particular ~~one~~ Saturday morning Fitzgerald had calculated that it would take the local police at least ~~three~~ ^{four} minutes to respond. ~~that Saturday morning~~ ^{down town} to a pawn shop ~~especially~~ ^{break in} as there was only ~~hours~~ ^{time} to go before the ~~match~~ ^{kick-off}. Half the television in ~~Columbia~~ ^{London} was on in anticipation of the annual ~~match~~ ^{game} (against Brazil). If he had broken into the ~~pawn shop~~ ^{way in} after ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~match~~ ^{game} had started, they ~~would not~~ ^{would not} have followed it up until after the final whistle.

But it would be some time before the police worked out the significance of the break in, and in any case what he planned to do during the match would have them on the run for weeks. — making his escape during the match, when half the police had been directed to other duties.

Fitzgerald closed the ~~door~~ ^{back door} and moved swiftly through the ~~shop~~ ^{other rooms} past ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~cases~~ ^{cases} of watches, gold family ~~treasures~~ ^{treasures}, diamonds, all carefully marked with a name and date, that would allow the owners to return within ~~six~~ ^{three} months and reclaim their family heirlooms. ~~Fitzgerald~~ ^{Fitzgerald} moved on into the shop, the open sign ~~on~~ ^{on} the door. He stopped for a moment to check that no one was ~~patrolling~~ ^{watching} the windows. Although the

believed.

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X The main road, quickly crossing the ~~road~~ before entering a bar ~~at the gate~~. The ~~right~~ slipped in and joined the noisy crowd ~~that~~ were surrounding the large screen television. ~~He took a stool that did not~~ ~~afford him a good view of the screen but~~ afforded him a perfect view of the front of the palm ship. ~~It was a great~~ ~~moment~~ before the police ~~arrived~~ ~~at the entrance of the~~ ~~bar~~. Once he had seen them enter the building he slipped out of the back door, hailed a taxi and asked to be dropped at the Sheraton Park Hotel. He checked his watch ~~1.17~~ his timing was perfect, the speech ~~was due~~ to begin in ~~thirteen minutes~~ and began, but it always lasted more than that. He slipped into the left hand corner of the battered cab, undisturbed the driver could not ~~see~~ him in the rear view mirror, the car radio was ~~blaring~~ blaring out the veins of expect after expect as how they saw the outcome of the match. When the taxi drew up outside the hotel twelve minutes later Fitzgerald placed ten dollars in the little ~~cup~~ ~~box~~ ~~in the plastic screen that~~ ~~protected~~ ~~the driver from his customer,~~ ~~from the~~ Fitzgerald and slipped out of the cab before the driver had begin the chance to ~~start~~ ~~any change~~. Fitzgerald did not look back as he rode ~~out~~ ~~the~~ ~~door~~ ~~and~~ ~~on~~ ~~the~~ ~~way~~ ~~he~~ ~~headed~~ ~~straight~~ ~~for~~ ~~the~~ ~~bank~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~river~~ ~~opposite~~ ~~the~~ ~~club~~ ~~in~~ ~~dash~~.

* I say thank you. But Hunt-taxi driver is ~~not~~ ^{very} well known to saying so.

In Bogota would they have Slot card rooms -
not as Western?

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He only had to wait a few seconds
before ~~the~~ one of the few left doors opened.
He stepped inside quickly pressed the
button marked ~~leave~~ ^{Close} followed by the ^{Close}
button. No one ~~had time to~~ ^{noticed} him. The ~~study~~ ^{elevator} ~~preceeded~~
~~started~~ to the ~~health~~ ^{health} floor without ~~interfering~~

When the door slid open again he stepped
out onto the ^{headed} ~~high~~ carpeted ~~wind~~ and
headed for ^{Slot} ~~1207~~. ~~He~~ placed his card in
the ~~slot~~, waited for the green light before
he pushed open the door. Once inside ~~the~~,
he placed the do not disturb sign on the
~~door~~ knob, closed the door and locked it.

^{mystified} By now the police would be
mystified by what had ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~discussing~~ ^{discussing} ~~relationships~~.
would have ~~analyzed~~ ^{analyzed} the ~~analysis~~ ^{analysis} ~~in~~ —

He always left the city when ~~the~~ ^{the}
Nathan ~~were~~ playing at home and didn't return ^{again} until
the Monday morning, by which time Fitzgerald
would have ~~returned~~ ^{replaced the box} to its place
in the window, long before a more careful
check of his stack could be ~~made~~ ^{made} ~~come out~~.

He walked across the room
and ~~put~~ the battered case on ~~the~~ bed. He
flipped open the lid, and snaked for the first
time when he saw everything was in place. He
~~put up a chair~~ ^{put up a chair} then walked over to
the television and ~~flashed~~ ^{flashed} ~~on the~~ ^{on the} ~~button~~ ^{button} pressed
the ~~ON~~ ^{ON} button. Last year's ^{goals} ~~goals~~ were
~~entirely~~ ^{entirely} ~~very~~ ^{very} ~~amused~~ ^{amused}. He ~~put up~~ ^{put up} the remote
control and pressed the ~~channel~~ ^{channel} button. He walked a
few paces, flicked on ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~news~~ ^{news} ~~after~~,
song ~~opened~~, ~~game~~ ^{game} ~~news~~ ^{news} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~until~~ ^{until} he reached Channel

eleven, and then he stopped and smoked
a second pipe. ⁵ ~~He~~ ^{was filling}

A handsome man face ~~that~~
~~top~~ the entire screen. He must have
been a little under ~~five~~ but a six footer,
with a head of full ~~black hair~~ ~~he would probably~~ could
have told the crowd he was addressing that he
was ~~not~~ not yet forty and they would have
believed ^{him}. At all few people expect
polished to tell the truth.
To be all involved he should

at Emanuel Smith's house, the ~~camp~~ ^{camp} of the Republicans in next week's Presidential election. The ~~same~~ ^{same} deep benches were filled the night.

The first action I shall take as
President of our great country will be to
rehabilitate all companies owned by Americans.

The small crowd that surprised me from their ~~neighbourhood~~ ^{in appearance} ~~the~~ ~~appearance~~

The step of the full hall route & Hargreaves (the captain) ~~was~~
~~said to~~ spin balls and ~~take~~ turn net to
make a speech on the morning of the match.

He had explained that million of ~~the~~ Belarusky women flying through the sky, many, and

viewers flying through the sky, and I
see him as the center of the universe.
to find him or his left eye the shadow.

He would hold up the game for a few moments, especially as he had planned it to take ~~about~~ thirty seconds after

He had no intention of letting the President
out of his hands. He had no intention of letting
the President out of his hands. He had no intention
of letting the President out of his hands.

President of the United States to treat us as if we are ~~important~~ ^{why should we class the} second rate when,

President Seneca is not by name

I can assure you of one thing God
will answer. send ~~the~~ ~~answer~~. The gods

method ~~method~~ and with ~~an~~ answer. And
 I ~~was~~ ~~about~~ ~~to~~ ~~be~~ ~~as~~ ~~he~~ ~~removed~~ ~~the~~
 but if the rule from the case, and
 handled it as gently as if it were a wick

as Fitzgerald pulled the butt of the rifle
with his shoulder. ~~He laid up~~ ^{he lined up}
the barrel ~~and again~~ ^{until it was} in
the center of the sandbag's forehead.

The hands remained ~~fast~~ ^{high} in
the air ^{as they did at the end of every}
speech. ~~He~~ ^{over the weeks} Fitzgerald had answered that
was the one moment when his head remained
still.

^{Left the} Fitzgerald gave ^{suggest} his frequent,
(a head back) the bullet ~~into~~ ^{into} the
cinder head, ~~and~~ ^{he} slumped to
the ground, the last thing to register
of sight were his outstretched hands, as
if he ~~was~~ ^{had} given up and was
surrendering. Fitzgerald slumped back with one
~~arm~~ ^{arm} and walked ^{gaily} ~~to~~ ^{to} the bed.

He ~~was~~ ^{the} ~~the~~ ^{replied} it
in the box as he glanced ~~at~~ ^{at} the telegram.
The crowd had turned from elation into a
blue ~~mass~~ ^{mass}, as his chest across ^{stumped}
the ~~body~~ ^{stumped} on the top step of a tall.

Fitzgerald ~~unwound~~ ^{unwound} the
bullet ~~from~~ ^{from} the ~~united~~ ^{united} ~~bullet~~ ^{bullet}, ~~behind~~ ^{behind} ~~the~~ ^{the}
it back to the case. as the sound of ~~an~~ ^{an} ~~engine~~ ^{engine}
could be heard in the distance. It might as
well ~~as~~ ^{have} been a ~~noise~~ ^{noise} for all the
good it could have done. No ~~drift~~ ^{drift} in the
world ~~able~~ ^{able} to assist a ~~case~~ ^{case}.

^X ~~supplied~~ ^{supplied} Fitzgerald unlocked the ~~case~~ ^{case} and
placed in ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~case~~ ^{case}. Finally the
butt the closed the lid, and fled down
the steps.

Feeling, breathing, wearing, heavy case?

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One more glance at the television screen revealed that the local police were running around the square like headless chickens.

Fitzgerald ~~left the television~~ ~~flashed the television off~~ ~~before he could see the~~ ~~case~~ ~~and~~ ~~strolled~~ ~~was~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~door~~. The next three minutes ~~would be~~ ~~this~~ ~~only~~ ~~real~~ ~~problem~~, although he had ~~reached~~ ~~the~~ ~~exit~~ ~~several~~ ~~times~~.

He opened the bedroom door, glanced up and down the empty corridor, and realised, headed straight for the flight elevator at the far end of the corridor. He jabbed the little white button several times, continually checking the corridor. If a group of gun-hungry police suddenly appeared ~~he~~ ~~was~~ ~~out~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~door~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~gun~~ ~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~fire~~ ~~escape~~ ~~was~~ ~~his~~ ~~only~~ ~~other~~ ~~escape~~ ~~route~~.

The little white button suddenly glowed, and the heavy door ~~opened~~ ~~slightly~~. Fitzgerald ~~came~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~door~~ ~~and~~ ~~was~~ ~~met~~ ~~by~~ ~~a~~ ~~grinning~~ ~~waiter~~ ~~carrying~~ ~~a~~ ~~loaded~~ ~~tray~~. He obviously hadn't been able to get the afternoon off to watch the match.

The waiter could not hide his surprise ~~as~~ ~~he~~ ~~skipped~~ ~~out~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~elevator~~. "No sign!" he ~~called~~ ~~out~~ ~~as~~ ~~Fitzgerald~~ ~~brutally~~ ~~pushed~~ ~~past~~ ~~him~~. But ~~he~~ ~~had~~ ~~just~~ ~~jabbed~~ ~~a~~ ~~button~~ ~~marked~~ ~~9~~ ~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~door~~ ~~had~~ ~~closed~~ ~~before~~ ~~he~~ ~~could~~ ~~reach~~ ~~it~~ ~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~guests~~ ~~were~~ ~~meant~~ ~~to~~ ~~use~~ ~~that~~ ~~lift~~, ~~and~~ ~~all~~ ~~tried~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~kitchen~~.

When Fitzgerald needed the grand floor, he ran ~~across~~ ~~the~~ ~~kitchen~~ ~~pushing~~ ~~his~~ ~~way~~ ~~through~~ ~~the~~ ~~swarm~~ ~~of~~ ~~at~~ ~~the~~ ~~far~~ ~~end~~ ~~to~~ ~~find~~ ~~a~~ ~~paired~~ ~~underground~~ ~~archway~~. He headed straight for a small ~~corner~~ ~~where~~ ~~anyone~~ ~~else~~ ~~could~~ ~~protest~~.