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MELTED MEN WERE WANTED BY POLICE



Scotland Yard's Chief Inspector Rancid Curd begins the search for answers to the mystery of the melted men, as a horrified crowd gathers around the shocking sight.

New developments in the strange case of the melting crooks! Booksellers and librarians called upon to help.

Scotland Yard reports that a new middle-grade fantasy adventure by Glenn Dakin may provide the needed break in the case of the mysterious melting men. *Candle Man, Book One: The Society of Unrelenting Vigilance* (\$15.99 hardcover; ages 8-12; ISBN: 978-1-60684-015-3) will be on sale September 9, 2009.

"We can't wait until then," said Chief Inspector Rancid Curd. "We're hoping a responsible bookseller or librarian will come forward with the goods to help us solve these bizarre meltings."

In a related development, the Lord Justice declared the Candle Man "out of control." "We can only hope," said Egmont USA publisher Elizabeth Law, obviously hoping for out-of-control sales.

Glenn Dakin, the mastermind behind this much-anticipated book, has a past in comics. "He's not above suspicion," said Chief

Inspector Curd. "These comics types have caused trouble before. We know Dakin frequents abandoned graveyards and other unsavory places."

Filled with interesting characters, the likes of which I can only compare to Lemony Snicket. . . . Full of thrilling adventures, *Candle Man* pulls you into the story and makes you crave more.

— Bookworming in the 21st Century

"Bosh!" responded Dakin thru his attorney. "Talk to Lord Wickland!" This reporter via uncommon daring-do and access to the Manuscript has learned that Lord Wickland is

the Victorian ancestor of young Theo Wickland, the orphaned heir of Empire Hall and chief protagonist in the aforementioned novel.

"Bosh back!" said Inspec-

tor Curd. "If Lord Wickland is Victorian, then he is dead! He is unavailable for interrogation."

"My point exactly," said writer Dakin. "*Candle Man, Book One: The Society of Unrelenting Vigilance* is for young readers with imagination and a sense of adventure, not a literal minded curr like Curd."

Area booksellers are reportedly preparing to stock stacks with *Candle Man*. Are you?

ATTENTION!
Booksellers and Librarians!

Available from your usual supplier, or call
Random House Customer Service at

1.800.733.3000

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Watch for more *Candle Man* news!