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PET SHOP OF HORRORS

TokyoPop *Each volume collects four stories of terror and wonder centering around Count D's Pet Shop, where the mysterious count sells magical creatures who come with a contract whose terms must not be broken.*

MOSTLY MANGA: A GENRE GUIDE TO POPULAR MANGA, MANHWA, MANHUA, AND ANIME

Libraries Unlimited *Appropriate for any public library collection, this book provides a comprehensive readers' advisory guide for Japanese manga and anime, Korean manhwa, and Chinese manhua. • Author, title, subject, and genre indexes • An appendix featuring the films of Studio Ghibli • Focuses on series that are easy and cost-effective for libraries to collect • Demystifies a body of literature unfamiliar to many librarians*

THE INCREDIBLE ADVENTURES OF DOG MENDONCA AND PIZZABOY VOLUME 3: REQUIEM

Dark Horse Comics *Civil war brews in the secret realm of monsters, threatening to spill over into the human world! Dog Mendonça and PizzaBoy must get their strange band of adventurers together one final time! A world-weary werewolf, a six thousand-year-old demon trapped in the body of a little girl, a nervous gargoyle, and a former pizza delivery boy take a stand against a seemingly endless horde of angry creatures, led by an evil genius from Dog's past! A hit sensation in its home country of Portugal, this English-language edition includes a special "making of" section and a foreword by legendary horror director and writer Tobe Hooper! "There's real wit on every page."-George A. Romero (Director of The Night of the Living Dead series)*

ANIMAL CROSSING: NEW HORIZONS, VOL. 2

DESERTED ISLAND DIARY

VIZ Media - Children's *Join your favorite characters from Animal Crossing™: New Horizons for all-new adventures in this official manga! What do the residents of Animal Crossing™: New Horizons get up to when you're not around? Find out all about their antics in this hilarious manga filled with goofy gags and silly stories! Get ready to meet more characters from Animal Crossing™: New Horizons! Enjoy their silly adventures with our four goofy residents on a deserted island!*

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CHAINSAW MAN, VOL. 10

A DOG'S FEELINGS

VIZ Media LLC *Having been forced to kill a friend, Denji finds that his brain has turned to mush from despair. Without the motivation to keep going, he seeks help from Makima. But Makima is not what she appears, and Denji's pain is only just beginning. -- VIZ Media*

DEAR MR. HENSHAW

Harper Collins Newbery Medal Winner * Teachers' Top 100 Books for Children * ALA Notable Children's Book *Beverly Cleary's timeless Newbery Medal-winning book explores difficult topics like divorce, insecurity, and bullying through the thoughts and emotions of a sixth-grade boy as he writes to his favorite author, Boyd Henshaw. After his parents separate, Leigh Botts moves to a new town with his mother. Struggling to make friends and deal with his anger toward his absent father, Leigh loses himself in a class assignment in which he must write to his favorite author. When Mr. Henshaw responds, the two form an unexpected friendship that will change Leigh's life forever. From the beloved author of the Henry Huggins, Ramona Quimby, and Ralph S. Mouse series comes an epistolary novel about how to navigate and heal from life's growing pains.*

EIGHT DAYS IN OCTOBER

A teenage boy uncovers a horrific family secret. A widower seeks vengeance on the creatures that killed his wife. A drug addled writer stalks the woman of his dreams, a woman much more sinister than she appears. A federal agent races to find the cursed relic powering this city full of spooks, spirits, and serial killers. The lives of these and others will collide in the dark and dangerous streets of Adderlass. A seed of evil was planted under Adderlass, a city where monsters hide behind masks of humanity and ordinary people shuffle anesthetized and addicted by the sickly supernatural power wafting up from below. The city was built over the crystalline

skull of a bloodthirsty beast. Now, the hunt is on for this lost treasure and whoever finds it first will control the fate not only of Adderlass but of the entire world. Sixteen-year-old Simon Cubbins, young and naive, may be the key to unlocking the mystery buried in this twisted labyrinth of hidden agendas. He also unknowingly harbors a secret that could destroy the Cubbins bloodline. As different characters fight for control over Simon, he will have to decide whether or not to carry on his family's legacy.

YUZU THE PET VET 6

Kodansha America LLC From her base at the Blue Sky City Bow Meow Animal Hospital, Yuzu continues her passionate adventures on behalf of troubled pets and their owners. Where is the poor pup Alan's owner? Does Hokuto have what it takes to become a police dog? Where did Chii the hamster go? Can Maro the cow convince Ikuko to love the family farm again? As our pets grow, so do we...

PET SHOP OF HORRORS

VOL. 4

"Welcome to Chinatown! During your visit, be sure to stop by Count D's pet shop, where love and dreams are sold in the form of mythical creatures-- but not without a catch. The buyer must adhere to a set of rules, which if broken, may result in death ... or worse"--Page 4 of cover.

ANIMAL FARM

Faber & Faber All animals are equal but some animals are more equal than others. It's just an ordinary farm - until the animals revolt. They get rid of the irresponsible farmer. The other animals are sure that life is improving, but as systems are replaced and half-truths are retold, a new hierarchy emerges . . . Orwell's tale of propaganda, power and greed has never felt more pertinent. With an exciting new cover and inside illustrations by superstar Chris Mould.

DOG DRAMA

Welcome to Creede, a lovely little western town in the Colorado Rockies. This year's renowned theater production stars an Australian Shepherd with stage fright, two backstage love triangles, a shifty stagehand...and a real-life murder. Dog therapist Allie Babcock has grasped the brass ring of work assignments--stunning scenery, the love of her life at her side, and stage-training a brilliant Australian Shepherd and an adorable Pug. The dogs are starring in a romantic comedy, "Good Dog, Blue!" written and directed by a friend of Allie's boyfriend. Within an hour of Allie's arrival, however, a heavy light fixture crashes onto the stage, nearly hitting the Shepherd. Before night has fallen on this not-so-sleepy town, a cast member is poisoned, and an anonymous note warns that Allie might be next. To leave puts a dog in jeopardy. To stay puts everything Allie holds dear at risk. Can she thwart a determined killer before the final curtain?

THE GRAVEYARD BOOK

Harper Collins *It takes a graveyard to raise a child. Nobody Owens, known as Bod, is a normal boy. He would be completely normal if he didn't live in a graveyard, being raised by ghosts, with a guardian who belongs to neither the world of the living nor the dead. There are adventures in the graveyard for a boy—an ancient Indigo Man, a gateway to the abandoned city of ghouls, the strange and terrible Sleer. But if Bod leaves the graveyard, he will be in danger from the man Jack—who has already killed Bod's family.*

STRENGTHENING FORENSIC SCIENCE IN THE UNITED STATES

A PATH FORWARD

National Academies Press *Scores of talented and dedicated people serve the forensic science community, performing vitally important work. However, they are often constrained by lack of adequate resources, sound policies, and national support. It is clear that change and advancements, both systematic and scientific, are needed in a number of forensic science disciplines to ensure the reliability of work, establish enforceable standards, and promote best practices with consistent application. Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States: A Path Forward provides a detailed plan for addressing these needs and suggests the creation of a new government entity, the National Institute of Forensic Science, to establish and enforce standards within the forensic science community. The benefits of improving and regulating the forensic science disciplines are clear: assisting law enforcement officials, enhancing homeland security, and reducing the risk of wrongful conviction and exoneration. Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States gives a full account of what is needed to advance the forensic science disciplines, including upgrading of systems and organizational structures, better training, widespread adoption of uniform and enforceable best practices, and mandatory certification and accreditation programs. While this book provides an essential call-to-action for congress and policy makers, it also serves as a vital tool for law enforcement agencies, criminal prosecutors and attorneys, and forensic science educators.*

JOHN DIES AT THE END

Macmillan *"[Jason Pargin] has updated the Lovecraft tradition and infused it with humor that rather than lessening the horror, increases it dramatically. Every time I set the book down down, I was wary that something really was afoot, that there were creatures I couldn't see, and that because I suspected this, I was next. Engaging, comic, and terrifying." —Joe Garden, Features Editor, The Onion "[Pargin] is like a mash-up of Douglass Adams and Stephen King... 'page-turner' is an understatement." —Don Coscarelli, director, Phantasm I-V, Bubba Ho-tep "That rarest of things--a genuinely scary story." —David Wellington, author of Monster Island, Vampire Zero "JOHN DIES AT THE END has a cult following for a reason: it's horrific, thought-provoking, and hilarious all at once. This is one of the most entertaining and addictive novels I've ever read." —Jacob Kier, Publisher, Permuted Press STOP. You should not have touched this flyer with your bare hands. NO, don't*

put it down. It's too late. They're watching you. My name is David. My best friend is John. Those names are fake. You might want to change yours. You may not want to know about the things you'll read on these pages, about the sauce, about Korrok, about the invasion, and the future. But it's too late. You touched the book. You're in the game. You're under the eye. The only defense is knowledge. You need to read this book, to the end. Even the part with the bratwurst. Why? You just have to trust me. The important thing is this: The sauce is a drug, and it gives users a window into another dimension. John and I never had the chance to say no. You still do. I'm sorry to have involved you in this, I really am. But as you read about these terrible events and the very dark epoch the world is about to enter as a result, it is crucial you keep one thing in mind: None of this was my fault.

THROUGH PELICAN EYES

I've always thought that Matlacha (say Mat-la-SHAY), the funky Pine Island Florida fishing village cum art colony would be a perfect setting for a mystery, when along comes Jessie Murphy, the perfect gal to sort out the riff from the raff of it all. You've got to love this lady, a Goodwill fashion queen, who comes across as a ditzy airhead whose best buddy is a Gargoyle named Gar. Jessie's taken time off from her job, thrilled to be rekindling the flame of romance with her treasure-hunting guy, Will Rolins, who adores her. Will has just made a wonderful archeological discovery, aka buried treasure. He's offered to support Jessie in her painting career if only she'll rejoin him in the sandy, salt-water and flip-flop lifestyle she adores. As she arrives in Matlacha, Jessie, to her horror, is met instead with the crime scene tape in place, bloodstains on the floor and pinholes where Will's treasure maps should have been. The sheriff insists that Will's death was a suicide but he refuses to release the police report and Jessie is bewildered. It is true that Will was often depressed and sometimes controlling. But why kill himself when he's fulfilled his life's dream? If he meant to kill himself why would he ask Jessie to join him? The facts don't sit straight with Jessie. She is determined to sort out the case. Jessie's a red-headed Irish Bostonian, whose art career has gone on the back burner as she struggles to earn a living. Meanwhile, certain investigative skills Jessie has acquired--a stint in a private investigator's office, classes in theater and karate--all come into play as she trails suspects and sometimes overplays her hand, arousing the suspicions of whoever it is who makes crank calls to her in the middle of the night. Do not be fooled, there's way more to Jessie than meets the eye, and do not, repeat, do not miss this true beach read with a pelican's eye view of Florida's magnificent barrier island landscapes. Sara Williams - author of Millie McCall's Full Moon Poker Night

NIGHT TERRORS VOL. 6

SHORT HORROR STORIES ANTHOLOGY

Scare Street Something deadly hides in the dark of night... A health-conscious tenant must battle his apartment's demonic refrigerator. The shadow of death clings to a woman, as she strives to find a way to escape her fate. And a mysterious runaway wreaks havoc at a secluded motel, when the guests discover the deadly secret that

follows in her wake... A new night of terror begins with Scare Street's latest bone-chilling collection. This pulse-pounding volume contains thirteen new supernatural tales of terror. And each story brings you deeper into the dark realm of nightmares. As the inky black shadows close in, you realize you are not alone. Something stalks you through this strange netherworld. You hear snarls in the distance. The howling grows louder and louder. Death itself has been unleashed from this book of darkness. And it's too late to return to the light... This volume features the following stories: 1. Leftovers by Warren Benedetto 2. The Refrigerator by Peter Cronsberry 3. Shadow by Jason E. Maddux 4. Painless by Dominick Cancilla 5. Issue 32 by Daniel Comnenus 6. My Daughter's Ghosts by Bradley Walker 7. Waters Take Me by Jim Horlock 8. Walled In by Carl Hughes 9. Collection Day by John Wayne Comunale 10. Sleep Paralysis by Shannon Brady 11. The Road to Hell by Brian Sperl 12. Mother Love by Jon McGoran 13. Beyond the Wall by Ron Ripley

CHAINSAW MAN, VOL. 11

GO GET 'EM, CHAINSAW MAN

VIZ Media LLC Chainsaw Man has escaped Makima's attempts to control him so far, but she now reveals the full extent of her plans. Denji will need the help of his remaining friends if he is to have any chance of defeating Makima in their final confrontation! -- VIZ Media

CHAINSAW MAN, VOL. 6

VIZ Media LLC Broke young man + chainsaw dog demon = Chainsaw Man! Denji was a small-time devil hunter just trying to survive a harsh world. After being killed on a job, Denji is revived by his pet devil-dog Pochita and becomes something new and dangerous—Chainsaw Man! A new girl named Reze has shown up and swept innocent Denji right off his feet. But is Reze exactly what she seems? (Spoiler: Nope!) Is Denji about to find happiness once and for all? (Spoiler: Nope!) Prepare for the storm of all storms when Chainsaw Man looks for true love!

THE BLACK CAT

Strelbytskyy Multimedia Publishing "The Black Cat" is a short story by Edgar Allan Poe. It was first published in the August 19, 1843, edition of The Saturday Evening Post. It is a study of the psychology of guilt, often paired in analysis with Poe's "The Tell-Tale Heart". In both, a murderer carefully conceals his crime and believes himself unassailable, but eventually breaks down and reveals himself, impelled by a nagging reminder of his guilt.

PRE-INCIDENT INDICATORS OF TERRORIST INCIDENTS

THE IDENTIFICATION OF BEHAVIORAL, GEOGRAPHIC AND TEMPORAL PATTERNS OF PREPARATORY CONDUCT

DIANE Publishing This is a print on demand edition of a hard to find publication. Explores whether sufficient data exists to examine the temporal and spatial

relationships that existed in terrorist group planning, and if so, could patterns of preparatory conduct be identified? About one-half of the terrorists resided, planned, and prepared for terrorism relatively close to their eventual target. The terrorist groups existed for 1,205 days from the first planning meeting to the date of the actual/planned terrorist incident. The planning process for specific acts began 2-3 months prior to the terrorist incident. This study examined selected terrorist groups/incidents in the U.S. from 1980-2002. It provides for the potential to identify patterns of conduct that might lead to intervention prior to the commission of the actual terrorist incidents. Illustrations.

CHAINSAW MAN, VOL. 8

SUPER MESS

VIZ Media LLC As Quanxi and the members of the Special Division battle it out over Denji, the mysterious Santa Claus makes his move. But things are not as they appear, and nobody will be prepared for the darkness and despair about to be unleashed! -- VIZ Media

CHAINSAW MAN, VOL. 5

MINOR

VIZ Media LLC It's Chainsaw vs. Sword as the bloody battle for Denji's heart heats up. Denji is going to have to pull out all the stops against this crafty opponent. And when the dust settles, how will Special Division 4 move on from their losses? -- VIZ Media

THE INHERITANCE GAMES

Little, Brown Books for Young Readers Don't miss this New York Times bestselling "impossible to put down" (Buzzfeed) novel with deadly stakes, thrilling twists, and juicy secrets--perfect for fans of *One of Us is Lying* and *Knives Out*. Avery Grambs has a plan for a better future: survive high school, win a scholarship, and get out. But her fortunes change in an instant when billionaire Tobias Hawthorne dies and leaves Avery virtually his entire fortune. The catch? Avery has no idea why--or even who Tobias Hawthorne is. To receive her inheritance, Avery must move into sprawling, secret passage-filled Hawthorne House where every room bears the old man's touch--and his love of puzzles, riddles, and codes. Unfortunately for Avery, Hawthorne House is also occupied by the family that Tobias Hawthorne just dispossessed. This includes the four Hawthorne grandsons: dangerous, magnetic, brilliant boys who grew up with every expectation that one day they would inherit billions. Their apparent Grayson Hawthorne is convinced that Avery must be a conwoman, and he's determined to take her down. His brother, Jameson, views her as their grandfather's last hurrah: a twisted riddle, a puzzle to be solved. Caught in a world of wealth and privilege, with danger around every turn, Avery will have to play the game herself just to survive.

THE COMPLETE MAUS

Viking Maus I: A Survivor's Tale and Maus II - the complete story of Vladek Spiegelman and his wife, living and surviving in Hitler's Europe. By addressing the horror of the Holocaust through cartoons, the author captures the everyday reality of fear and is able to explore the guilt, relief and extraordinary sensation of survival - and how the children of survivors are in their own way affected by the trials of their parents. A contemporary classic of immeasurable significance.

CIVIL WAR

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform Orphans Civil War Vol V Book five begins almost one year from the fateful release of the drug that started it all. Wage war alongside Shaun and Ellie with the rest of the group as the threats increase and the threatened fight back! Lives will be lost but those that refuse to back down will have to fight harder than ever before to see one more day.

THE COUNCIL OF ANIMALS

A NOVEL

Henry Holt and Company From national bestselling author Nick McDonell, The Council of Animals is a captivating fable for humans of all ages—dreamers and cynics alike—who believe (if nothing else) in the power of timeless storytelling. “‘Now,’ continued the cat, ‘there is nothing more difficult than changing an animal’s mind. But I will say, in case I can change yours: humans are more useful to us outside our bellies than in.’” Perhaps. After The Calamity, the animals thought the humans had managed to do themselves in. But, it turns out, a few are covering in makeshift villages. So the animals—among them a cat, a dog, a crow, a baboon, a horse, and a bear—have convened to debate whether to help the last human stragglers . . . or to eat them. Rest assured, there is a happy ending. Sort of. Featuring illustrations by Steven Tabbutt

THE FIRST BOOK OF MOSES, CALLED GENESIS

AUTHORIZED KING JAMES VERSION

Grove/Atlantic, Inc. The publication of the King James version of the Bible, translated between 1603 and 1611, coincided with an extraordinary flowering of English literature and is universally acknowledged as the greatest influence on English-language literature in history. Now, world-class literary writers introduce the book of the King James Bible in a series of beautifully designed, small-format volumes. The introducers' passionate, provocative, and personal engagements with the spirituality and the language of the text make the Bible come alive as a stunning work of literature and remind us of its overwhelming contemporary relevance.

CHAINSAW MAN, VOL. 1

DOG AND CHAINSAW

VIZ Media LLC Denji's a poor young man who'll do anything for money, even hunting down devils with his pet devil Pochita. He's a simple man with simple dreams, drowning under a mountain of debt. But his sad life gets turned upside down one day when he's betrayed by someone he trusts. Now with the power of a devil inside him, Denji's become a whole new man—Chainsaw Man! -- VIZ Media

CHILD NEGLECT

A GUIDE FOR PREVENTION, ASSESSMENT, AND INTERVENTION

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE PRINCIPLES OF MORALS AND LEGISLATION

PRINTED IN THE YEAR 1780, AND NOW FIRST PUBLISHED

SELECTED WORKS OF MIGUEL DE UNAMUNO, VOLUME 6

NOVELA/NIVOLA

Princeton University Press The three remarkable pieces of fiction included in this volume are not so much novelets, novels, as nivelas, a form invented by Unamuno. Originally published in 1976. The Princeton Legacy Library uses the latest print-on-demand technology to again make available previously out-of-print books from the distinguished backlist of Princeton University Press. These editions preserve the original texts of these important books while presenting them in durable paperback and hardcover editions. The goal of the Princeton Legacy Library is to vastly increase access to the rich scholarly heritage found in the thousands of books published by Princeton University Press since its founding in 1905.

CHAINSAW MAN, VOL. 4

THE GUN IS MIGHTIER

VIZ Media LLC Devil Extermination Special Division 4 is in serious trouble as a devil has sent a whole team of assassins to take Denji's heart. In order to survive the onslaught, Denji, Power and Aki will have to get stronger. But is Denji smart enough to learn how to control his devil powers? Can you can teach an old chainsaw-dog-devil new tricks? -- VIZ Media

EDIBLE INSECTS

FUTURE PROSPECTS FOR FOOD AND FEED SECURITY

Food & Agriculture Org Edible insects have always been a part of human diets, but in some societies there remains a degree of disdain and disgust for their consumption. Insects offer a significant opportunity to merge traditional knowledge and modern science to improve human food security worldwide. This publication describes the contribution of insects to food security and examines future prospects for raising

insects at a commercial scale to improve food and feed production, diversify diets, and support livelihoods in both developing and developed countries. Edible insects are a promising alternative to the conventional production of meat, either for direct human consumption or for indirect use as feedstock. This publication will boost awareness of the many valuable roles that insects play in sustaining nature and human life, and it will stimulate debate on the expansion of the use of insects as food and feed.

CHAINSAW MAN, VOL. 2

CHAINSAW VS. BAT

VIZ Media LLC In order to achieve the greatest goal in human history—to touch a boob—Denji will risk everything in a fight against the dangerous Bat Devil. But will getting what he wants actually make him happy...? -- VIZ Media

DELTA GREEN: KALI GHATI

ARC Dream Publishing WHEN FIREPOWER FAILS "Kali Ghati" is a scenario for DELTA GREEN, the role-playing game of Lovecraftian horror and conspiracy. The players' Agents are soldiers, intelligence officers, federal agents or civilian contractors among the U.S. forces in Afghanistan. Thanks to the machinations of Delta Green—a secret government program that confronts unnatural threats at any cost—all have been in country longer than they ever planned. They expect to be sent home soon. But now, they have a mission. Again. A fellow Delta Green operative has gone missing from an Army base in a troubled province. It's up to the players' Agents to find him before the disappearance draws attention that Delta Green cannot afford. "Kali Ghati" includes a complete scenario and six ready-to-play Agents. It is playable with the core rulebook for DELTA GREEN: THE ROLE-PLAYING GAME, the player-facing rules in DELTA GREEN: AGENT'S HANDBOOK, or the quickstart rules in DELTA GREEN: NEED TO KNOW, all available from Arc Dream Publishing. Learn more at DELTA-GREEN.COM.

HER SOUL TO TAKE

Leon I earned my reputation among magicians for a reason: one wrong move and you're dead. Killer, they called me, and killing is what I'm best at. Except her. The one I was supposed to take, the one I should have killed - I didn't. The cult that once controlled me wants her, and I'm not about to lose my new toy to them. Rae I've always believed in the supernatural. Hunting for ghosts is my passion, but summoning a demon was never part of the plan. Monsters are roaming the woods, and something ancient - something evil - is waking up and calling my name. I don't know who I can trust, or how deep this darkness goes. All I know is my one shot at survival is the demon stalking me, and he doesn't just want my body - he wants my soul. Her Soul to Take is book 1 in the Souls Trilogy. Although all the books are interconnected, they are stand-alone and can be read in any order. Content Note This book contains sexual scenes, kink/fetish content, horror elements, drug use, and depictions of hard kink/edgeplay. Reader discretion is advised.

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GLOBAL TRENDS 2030

ALTERNATIVE WORLDS

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform *This publication covers global megatrends for the next 20 years and how they will affect the United States. This is the fifth installment in the National Intelligence Council's series aimed at providing a framework for thinking about possible futures and their implications. The report is intended to stimulate strategic thinking about the rapid and vast geopolitical changes characterizing the world today and possible global trajectories during the next 15-20 years by identifying critical trends and potential discontinuities. The authors distinguish between megatrends, those factors that will likely occur under any scenario, and game-changers, critical variables whose trajectories are far less certain. NIC 2012-001. Several innovations are included in Global Trends 2030, including: a review of the four previous Global Trends reports, input from academic and other experts around the world, coverage of disruptive technologies, and a chapter on the potential trajectories for the US role in the international system and the possible the impact on future international relations. Table of Contents: Introduction 1 Megatrends 6 Individual Empowerment 8 Poverty Reduction 8 An Expanding Global Middle Class 8 Education and the Gender Gap 10 Role of Communications Technologies 11 Improving Health 11 A MORE CONFLICTED IDEOLOGICAL LANDSCAPE 12 Diffusion of Power 15 THE RISE AND FALL OF COUNTRIES: NOT THE SAME OLD STORY 17 THE LIMITS OF HARD POWER IN THE WORLD OF 2030 18 Demographic Patterns 20 Widespread Aging 20 Shrinking Number of Youthful Countries 22 A New Age of Migration 23 The World as Urban 26 Growing Food, Water, and Energy Nexus 30 Food, Water, and Climate 30 A Brighter Energy Outlook 34 Game-Changers 38 The Crisis-Prone Global Economy 40 The Plight of the West 40 Crunch Time Too for the Emerging Powers 43 A Multipolar Global Economy: Inherently More Fragile? 46 The Governance Gap 48 Governance Starts at Home: Risks and Opportunities 48 INCREASED FOCUS ON EQUALITY AND OPENNESS 53 NEW GOVERNMENTAL FORMS 54 A New Regional Order? 55 Global Multilateral Cooperation 55 The Potential for Increased Conflict 59 INTRASTATE CONFLICT: CONTINUED DECLINE 59 Interstate Conflict: Chances Rising 61 Wider Scope of Regional Instability 70 The Middle East: At a Tipping Point 70 South Asia: Shocks on the Horizon 75 East Asia: Multiple Strategic Futures 76 Europe: Transforming Itself 78 Sub-Saharan Africa: Turning a Corner by 2030? 79 Latin America: More Prosperous but Inherently Fragile 81 The Impact of New Technologies 83 Information Technologies 83 AUTOMATION AND MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGIES 87 Resource Technologies 90 Health Technologies 95 The Role of the United States 98 Steady US Role 98 Multiple Potential Scenarios for the United States' Global Role 101 Alternative Worlds 107 Stalled Engines 110 FUSION 116 Gini-out-of-the-Bottle 122 Nonstate World 128 Acknowledgements 134 GT2030 Blog References 137 Audience: Appropriate for anyone, from businesses to banks, government agencies to start-ups, the technology sector to the teaching sector, and more. This publication*

helps anticipate where the world will be: socially, politically, technologically, and culturally over the next few decades. Keywords: Global Trends 2030 Alternative Worlds, global trends 2030, Global Trends series, National Intelligence Council, global trajectories, global megatrends, geopolitics, geopolitical changes

SWORD AND CITADEL

*Gollancz Recently voted the greatest fantasy of all time, after *The Lord of the Rings* and *The Hobbit*, Gene Wolfe's *The Book of the New Sun* is an extraordinary epic, set a million years in the future, on an Earth transformed in mysterious and wondrous ways, in a time when our present culture is no longer even a memory. Severian, the central character, is a torturer, exiled from his guild after falling in love with one of his victims, and journeying to the distant city of Thrax, armed with his ancient executioner's sword, *Terminus Est*. This edition contains the second two volumes of this four volume novel, *The Sword of the Lictor* and *The Citadel of the Autarch*.*