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MAGPIE

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THE “MAGPIE” STRIKES AGAIN!

The notorious gentleman thief, known only as the “Magpie”, has struck again. The victim on this occasion was Lady Dindon D’Bourbonnais, who awoke on Sunday morning to find her five-carat diamond brooch, valued with a single feather, the illustrious gem of the best of the best. Perroquet, consulting detective to Scotland Yard, was forced to defend his reputation last night after the notorious gentleman thief, known as the ‘Magpie’, struck again at a society ball at the Russian Embassy.

JUST WHO IS THE “MAGPIE”? 

A fabulous Egyptian jewelled scarab, described as a “Cheops of the third dynasty”, is due to be auctioned today at Spaulding’s of London. The jewel, said to have been discovered in the tomb of Imhotep, has caused quite a stir in fashionable circles where Egyptian relics are highly prized. Auctioneer Wilber Quail said of the jewel, “it is one of the finest I have ever owned.”

JEWELLED SCARAB TO BE AUCTIONED
BUNKHAM HALL

GROUND FLOOR PLAN

Study
Library
Collection Room
Great Hall
Saloon
Drawing Room
Dining Room
Music Room
Sir Rodney Playfair, gentleman thief, has a simple plan: impersonate a psychiatrist, infiltrate a country house, steal a priceless Egyptian scarab and make it back to London in time for cocktails. All in a day’s work for the illustrious ‘Magpie’.

Alias ‘The Magpie’ is J. J. Guest’s entry in the 2018 Interactive Fiction Competition. From 1st October, it can be downloaded or played online at the IF Comp website: https://ifcomp.org

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