

Chapter 50

In Chapter 50, titled "We Solve Murders," François Loubet provides an intriguing update through a correspondence with his associate, Joe Blow. Loubet humorously notes the absurdity of their situation, particularly the suggestion that he should not kill Amy Wheeler. He reflects on the necessity of her demise, explaining that Amy, who served as his bodyguard in London, is crucial for his plans. By hiring Rob Kenna, Loubet secures a layer of anonymity, making it easier to position Amy as a convenient scapegoat should anything go awry.

Loubet details his machinations: evidence, including Amy's blood, has been strategically placed at multiple crime scenes. Although she has no motive, the presence of her blood—an undeniable connection—will lead any investigation toward her. He expresses confidence that even those close to Amy may doubt her innocence, and he sees her as a form of insurance against being implicated in his crimes.

However, Loubet is aware that the moment Amy dies, his plan will take a significant turn. He intends to inform authorities about her death, prompting them to compare her blood with what remains at the crime scenes, effectively sealing his alibi. He acknowledges the dichotomy of keeping her alive as insurance while also considering the potential need for her elimination.

As he contemplates his next moves, Loubet realizes that once his current issues are settled—such as ensuring Amy's death—he needs to dig deeper to understand Joe Blow's identity and consider the same fate for him. Amidst these considerations, Loubet remains focused on cutting ties with Maximum Impact while still utilizing influencers to orchestrate his financial schemes. His confidence in managing these loose ends reflects a mentality that thrives on deception and control, humorously noting that there are always more "fools" at every turn who can be manipulated for his benefit. The chapter closes with a resolve to navigate the complexities of his web while minimizing exposure.