

YOU **RABID READERS** LOOK A LITTLE PALE AFTER THAT LAST **PULSE-POUNDER**... BETTER REST UP! LET **COUSIN EERIE** ARRANGE SOME **LOATHESOME LODGINGS** FOR THE NIGHT... RIGHT UP THE DARK, CREAKING STAIRS YOU'LL FIND A...

# ROOM WITH A VIEW!

IT WAS LIKE A HUNDRED AND ONE OTHER SMALL-TOWN HOTELS DEXTER HAD STAYED IN... BAD LIGHTING, SEEDY FURNISHINGS... ORDINARY AND DULL...

I NEED A ROOM FOR THE NIGHT...



SORRY, MISTER!  
WE'RE FULL UP!



DON'T GIVE ME THAT! LOOK AT YOUR BOARD... THERE'S ONE ROOM LEFT!



N-NO... WE **NEVER** RENT THAT ONE! I'VE BEEN GIVEN ORDERS...



LOOK... I'M SOAKING WET, MY CAR'S BROKEN DOWN, AND I'M DEAD TIRED! HOW 'BOUT THAT ROOM...

SOMETHIN'S STRANGE ABOUT IT... FOLKS ARE NEVER HAPPY STAYIN' THERE!



SKIP THE LOCAL COLOR... JUST GIVE ME THE KEY!

JUST SO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE GETTIN' INTO...



WHAT IS IT? ROOM 13... SOMETHING STUPID LIKE THAT?

NO... NOBODY'S REALLY EVER SAID... FOLKS JUST DON'T LIKE IT, THAT'S ALL!



WELL... HERE YOU ARE... ROOM 22!



LOOKS ALRIGHT... NOT THE HILTON, BUT AT LEAST IT'S CLEAN!

G'NIGHT, MISTER...

AN AIRSHAFT... SOME VIEW! NO WONDER NO ONE'D STAY HERE!



OH, WELL... JUST ONE NIGHT! BETTER GET SOME SHUT-EYE...



WHO THE---



EMPTY! NOT A SOUL ANYWHERE...



HEY! DON'T TELL ME I'M LETTING THAT CLERK'S OLD WIVES' TALES GET TO ME...



JUST NERVES... I'M EXHAUSTED... BETTER HIT THE SACK...



YET EACH TIME DEXTER CLOSED HIS EYES, HE COULD STILL SEE THE EVIL FACE AND CHILLING STARE OF THE MIRROR REFLECTION...



IT LOOKED SO REAL... BUT THERE WAS NOTHING BEHIND ME... **BLAST IT!** CAN'T SLEEP FOR THINKING ABOUT IT... AWW, WHAT'S THE USE...



... I'LL TAKE ANOTHER LOOK!



N-NOT HERE... N-NOTHING JUST LIKE BEFORE!



**NOT ANOTHER MINUTE** ... I'M NOT STAYING HERE!



FRONT DESK, ANYTHING WRONG, MR. DEXTER?

GOTTA GET HOLD OF MYSELF... I'LL SOUND LIKE A FOOL... CLERK'S CRAZY HINTS MADE MY IMAGINATION RUN WILD... THAT'S ALL... HAS TO BE...



N-NO... JUST WANTED TO LEAVE A CALL FOR ME AT EIGHT...

THE NIGHT CREPT ON BUT NO SLEEP CAME TO DEXTER... ONLY AGONIZING, TORTURED THOUGHTS...

MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE LEFT... *HAS* TO BE MY IMAGINATION... MIND PLAYING TRICKS... THOSE *T-THINGS*... SO REAL! TRY TO THINK OF SOMETHING ELSE... WHAT IF THEY'RE IN THERE NOW... WATCHING... CAN'T BE... SILLY... WON'T...



