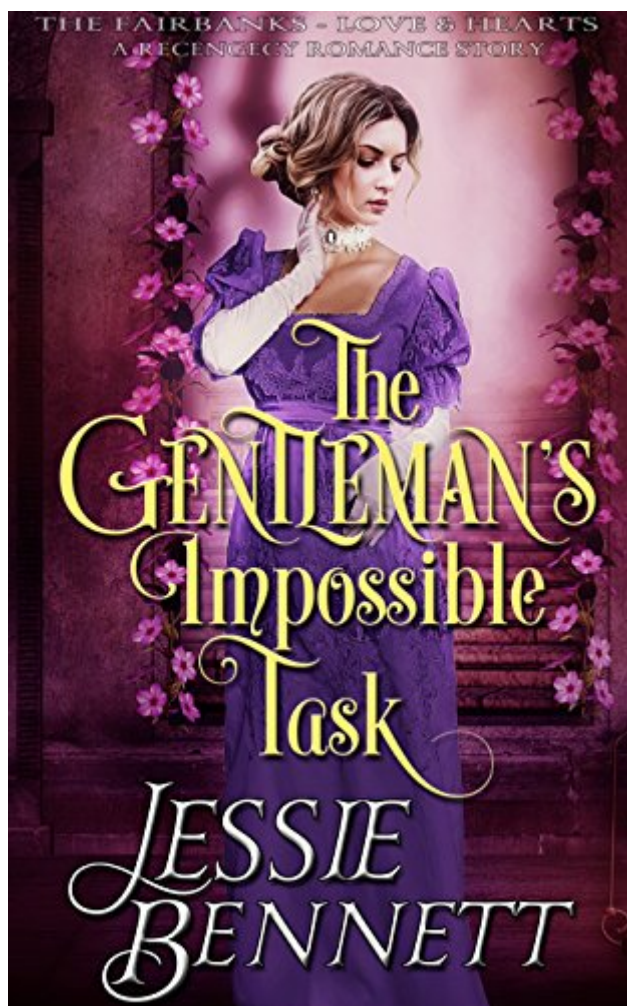


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# The Gentleman's Impossible Task (The Fairbanks - Love & Hearts) (The Regency Romance Story)



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Detective—Accustomed to seeing the darkest side that humanity has to offer, Inspector Sam Worthington, nephew of Duke Shawn Worthington, is tired of seeing— dead bodies. Convinced life doesn't have to be as grim as his work would imply, Sam is certain that an extended absence in Fairbanks is exactly what he needs... until his retreat turns him toward another case and beautiful sorrow-filled eyes—A Heartbroken Widow—Tormented by the shattered hopes of a lost future, Countess Annette is grief-stricken over the brutal death of her husband. Left to shoulder the burden of the earl's lands and titles alone, Annette is determined to see to her duties with her chin held high. But when her heart is captured by Sam Worthington, Annette is torn between the betrayal of her late husband's memory and the understanding that she still has more life left to live—An Impossible Case to Crack—With time running dangerously short, Sam and Annette find themselves relying on each other to catch a killer. But can they solve the case before the murderer strikes again? Or will they discover that no matter how hard they try, nothing will stop the bloodshed?

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## Customer Reviews

Murder, mystery, suspense and romance, *The Gentleman's Impossible Task* had it all. Ms. Bennett had me totally engrossed in this story from the prologue and kept me on the edge on my seat throughout. I could not put this book down and read it in an afternoon. It was a very enjoyable read. I also absolutely loved the way the epilogue brought the novel to a very satisfactory conclusion. The storyline was well written, Sam and Annette were well developed and likable characters and the plot was fast paced and intriguing. There were also twists and turns I never saw coming which really enhanced the story. Others have written about the plot so I won't. This novel is a must read for regency romance fans that like their romance with a bit of mystery and suspense. I highly recommend this book.

Jessie Bennett has done a neat trick with this book, writing a story that would be an excellent Regency Romance even without the murder mystery and at the same time writing a miser mystery tale that would work just as well without its Regency Romance trappings. Fans of either genre are in for a treat with *The Gentleman's Impossible Task*. Wonderful characters who are layered and complex, and experience real loss (the author does a great job in showing her heroine Annette's relationship with her husband before his murder) and real romance (the chemistry between Annette and Sam is beautifully done). That, together with the well written and wonderfully done plot that works so well on different levels, results in a truly enjoyable book. I'm happy to recommend it.

*The Gentleman's Impossible Task* by Jessie Bennett, is a great book that takes you from heartbreak to love, with an intriguing murder mystery thrown in. Detective Sam Worthington wants to get away from all the mayhem of life in London for a bit, and heads to the country for a visit with his uncle and aunt. Before he knows it he is involved with a strange set of circumstances. He meets Annette, a neighbor of his relatives, in not the best of times. The way the plot line flows is entertaining, I found that the mystery really had me trying to guess who done it... And a great time doing so. Look forward to the next read!

Two people very much in love settling in for a comfortable afternoon rest. One upstairs in their room, one downstairs. Seems so every day. You might think, this sounds, "boring", but you would be so

wrong! From there on out the story gets suspenseful, intriguing, with twists and turns. One minute you think you have it all figured out, just like the characters. But oh no! Just wait. What a surprise waits for you. Jessie Bennett weaves her story, intertwines her characters so well. The lead female is charming and in this case needy, rightfully so. But has a quiet strength. The lead male is strong, intelligent, helpful and takes charge. Secondary characters are well thought out and contribute to the story in very important ways. One holds the key. A very good read. I recommend this book for those who like romance with a twist of mystery.

This perfect blend of romance and murder mystery kept me captivated until the end. It was touching to see Annette's deep love for her husband, and then her grief after his tragic death. I hoped she would have a chance to move past her loss. Sam Worthington was shown as a very capable, good and honorable gentleman. His fellow investigator Sam provided a perfect balance for his personality. Other supporting characters such as Simon and Jacobina added to complexity of the plot and made it more interesting. I loved the development of Annette's and Sam's relationship. They are cautious and unsure about the attraction between them, but at the end they cannot deny it. Annette has an additional challenge to overcome her loss, and allow herself a second chance at love. All this process is described beautifully. My only doubt was the short time Annette had to develop an attachment to another man. But extreme circumstances tend to speed up some events and decisions, so it worked at the end for me. And the epilogue is beautiful and heartwarming. Highly recommended for both romance and mystery lovers.

Another great book by Jessie Bennett. This story has all the things you need in a book sorrow, murder, mystery, envy, deceit, longing, romance and of course love. What's not to like. The characters are portrayed as real people with real everyday problems. I was so absorbed with Annette and Samuel that I read in one day after all who needs to eat or sleep. I felt myself rooting for them with each encounter. I'm sorry that it is the last of this series but I know all good things must come to an end. Do purchase this book and join Samuel Worthington on his impossible task where he gets so much more than expected.

A Review of The Gentleman's Impossible Task by Jessie Bennett  
Detective work in the 1800s - 4 stars  
A very interesting look at how being an Inspector came about in the early 1800s in England and the process of how dead bodies were treated back in the day. Sam was never interested in actively looking for a wife, but always told his mother that if the right woman came along, he would

take it from there. When he goes to visit the Duke and Duchess of Worthington (his uncle and aunt) in the countryside, he is looking forward to some down time to consider his life and what he wants to do. When the wife of a local Earl comes barging in to beg the Duke for help with her husband's death, Sam finds himself faced with a woman he can see spending the rest of his life with and trying to solve her husband's murder before the murderer can strike again. \*\*Honest review voluntarily provided from a Complimentary Copy\*\*

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