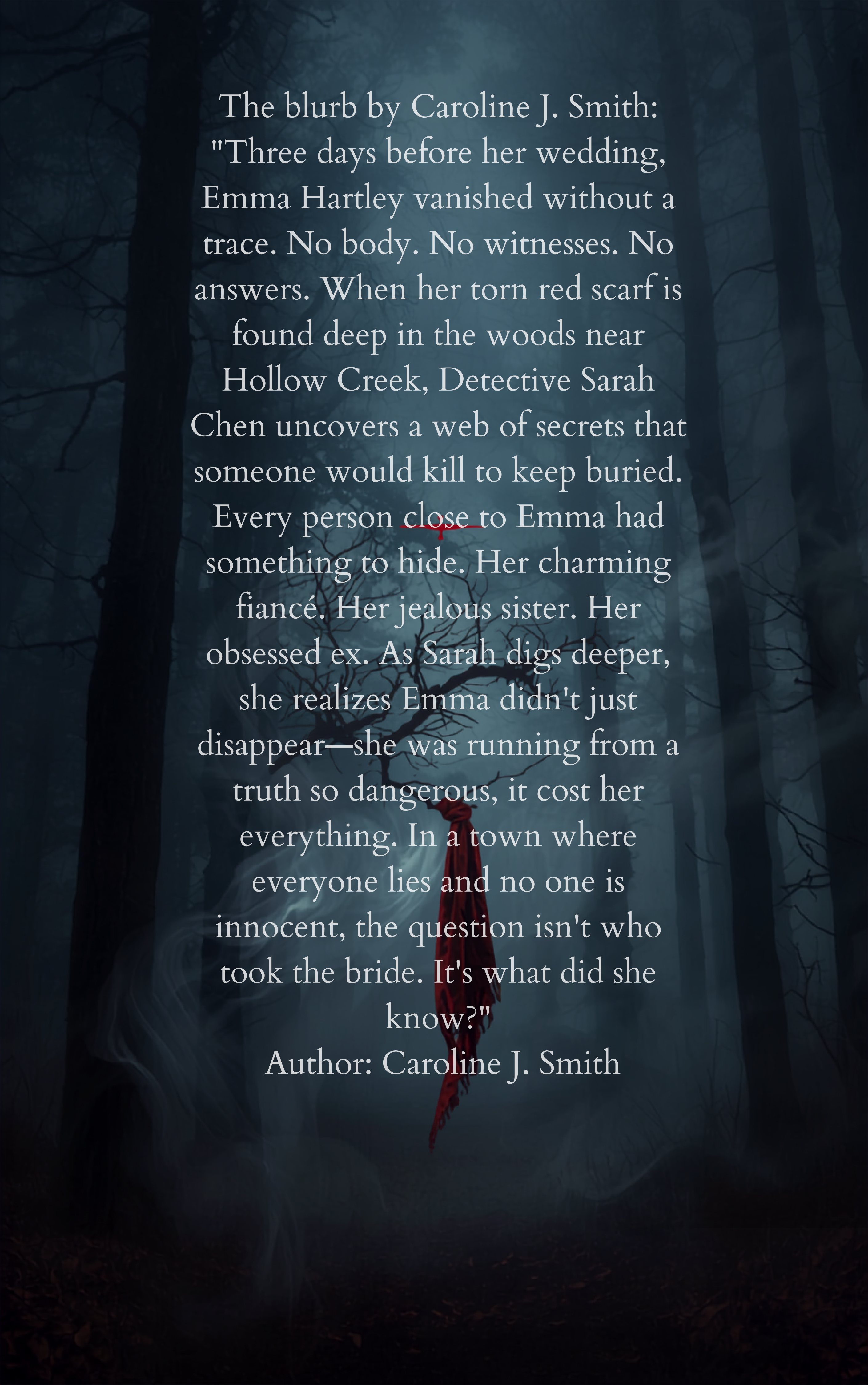


The background is a dark, atmospheric photograph of a forest. Tall, thin trees with bare branches are visible against a misty, grey-blue sky. A single, vibrant red scarf is draped over a horizontal tree branch in the center of the image, its fringed ends hanging down. The overall mood is mysterious and somber.

The blurb by Caroline J. Smith:
"Three days before her wedding,
Emma Hartley vanished without a
trace. No body. No witnesses. No
answers. When her torn red scarf is
found deep in the woods near
Hollow Creek, Detective Sarah
Chen uncovers a web of secrets that
someone would kill to keep buried.
Every person ~~close~~ to Emma had
something to hide. Her charming
fiancé. Her jealous sister. Her
obsessed ex. As Sarah digs deeper,
she realizes Emma didn't just
disappear—she was running from a
truth so dangerous, it cost her
everything. In a town where
everyone lies and no one is
innocent, the question isn't who
took the bride. It's what did she
know?"

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