

Occult

REVIEW

The thirteen witches were reputed to be so evil that all transcripts of the trial are thought to have been destroyed. The leader of the coven was named Mercy Booth, who was said by more than one witness to have been visited by the devil in the guise of a tall black man. Other information indicates that she may have been related to Ludvig

Prinn, executed by the Roman Inquisition in the 16th century for heresy and devil worship. The next article will have more information on this interesting coven.

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SALEM – The Da Chille Construction Co. has announced that demolition will continue tomorrow on the old homes on Lyle Street. Work had been delayed on the site while Professor Hagerty of Boston University examined an underground room discovered beneath the block of homes. According to construction workers the room was decorated with a mosaic tile that contained what appeared to be strange writing.

After spending several days at the site Professor Hagerty has pronounced it of no significant historical value, allowing demolition to proceed. With construction now underway again, the block of modern new apartment buildings should be completed by late summer of next year.

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Professor Hagerty's notes.

Mercy's coven was accused of over a dozen ritual murders even though the bodies were never found.

One old man of questionable sanity claimed he saw her walking one night with "a terrible familiar, shaped like a barrel with ridges, and a starfish where its head ought to be."

Mercy was also accused of having meetings with the Devil. Many witnesses testified to seeing her in the company of a tall black man.



THE PROFESSOR HAGERTY'S SECRET NOTES

The mosaic scripture found on the walls of the secret room is medieval Arabic and is some sort of prayer to a god called Nyogtha.

Hagerty tells of a presence in the room and a voice speaking in his head. The voice identifies itself as Mercy Booth

Hagerty writes of paying the Da Chille Construction Co. \$2000 to carefully reveal the room and to continue construction around it. The journal tells of several meetings in the room after it was revealed and the pending revelation of the secret.

The last entry talks of making plans to bring his wife to the next meeting.

THE SMALL BLACK BOOK

Journal of Mercy Booth

