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Greenwich, Connecticut – July 25, 2013 – “Who was Fitzwilliam Darcy?”

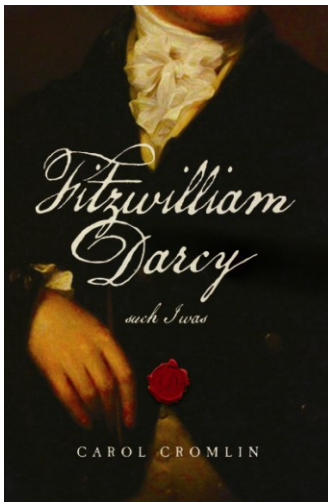
Exactly 200 years ago, Jane Austen gave the world Mr. Darcy. Today, the hero of her timeless story *Pride & Prejudice* is just as alluring and mystifying as he was when she created him.

FITZWILLIAM DARCY

SUCH I WAS

A Historical Novel

By Carol Cromlin



Fitzwilliam Darcy is arguably the best known, most charismatic hero Jane Austen ever created but he is also the most unfathomable. Who exactly was Mr. Darcy? What principles guided him? What desires drove him? How did he come to be the character Austen, so vividly, portrayed?

Carol Cromlin persuasively answers these questions in her newly released historical novel, **Fitzwilliam Darcy, such I was**. Weaving a compelling tale of the joys and sorrows of his first three decades, Cromlin provides the first comprehensive, biographical sketch, of literature’s most famous leading man. Capturing Austen’s voice, she colours in the silhouette of the extraordinarily complex Mr. Darcy. A poignant tale, it will sometimes bring on laughter; sometimes tears.

Drawing on information garnered from *Pride & Prejudice*; Miss Austen’s personal letters and family history; together with extensive research into actual practices and customs, social attitudes, and historical events of the period, Cromlin offers a window into the private, daily life of this young, landed, Georgian gentleman.

In a fortuitous coincidence, Charles Brock, the cover designer for Cromlin’s book, shares his name with the famous, late 19th century illustrator of Jane Austen works.

When asked what led her to write this book, Ms. Cromlin said simply, “It is a story I have always wanted to read.” Asked to explain further, she said, “People who seldom speak, often have much to say. Mr. Darcy hardly ever spoke, which makes his character incredibly intriguing.”

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: CAROL CROMLIN, who has a great appreciation for history, tradition and all things British, is someone who has always needed to know *how* and *why*; researching and writing this book drew naturally on those traits. Cromlin graduated from Hofstra University and has a graduate degree from Fordham University. She lives in the United States with her husband, son and dogs.

ABOUT THE COVER DESIGNER: CHARLES BROCK is principal and creative director at Faceout Studio. Charles' covers have been recognized by PRINT, Graphis, Communication Arts, the AAUP Book Jacket & Journal Show, Bookbuilders West, The Independent Book Publishers Association and the American Ad Federation. Charles graduated from Oklahoma State University and has been designing book covers for 16 years. Charles has judged the IBPA Ben Franklin Awards, AAUP Book Jackets and Journals Show, the Beauty of Books in China and most recently, the Taiwan Golden Butterfly Awards in Taipei, Taiwan.

Fitzwilliam Darcy, such I was, published by Worth Saying LLC, is available in Paperback \$15.95/£10.95 and eBook \$9.95/£5.99. It can be purchased through www.carolcromlin.com; at Amazon.com and Amazon.co.uk; barnesandnoble.com and nook.co.uk; also through select independent booksellers.

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