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Man Receives A Letter

by Peter Gordon

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Praise for Man Receives A Letter

"A master of "make believe story telling" (as he puts it in a story about a self-centered memoirist), Peter Gordon's collection shows astonishing generosity and range. Whether centered on policemen, priests, a brother-in-law implicated in revolution, a Peruvian Lieutenant forced to lead remote villagers into a landscape controlled by revolutionaries, a dying father who imagines his son long dead, or a grieving son scattering his father's remains while accompanied by his own retarded 19 year old: each of these deft stories explores the fully imagined, troubled heart."

—DeWitt Henry, author of Safe Suicide