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MRS. MONTAGUE – Planchette has been very kind tonight. John, there are definitely foreign elements present in this house.

DR. MONTAGUE – You don't say.

MRS. MONTAGUE – We've gotten a good deal of information for you. John!

DR. MONTAGUE – Yes, my dear. I was listening, I assure you.

MRS. MONTAGUE – I hope so...now. Planchette was quite insistent about a nun. Have you learned anything about a nun, John? Perhaps something of the sort – a dark, vague figure even, has been seen in or near the house? Or appeared to the villagers at night and frightened them?

DR. MONTAGUE – The figure of a nun is fairly common-

MRS. MONTAGUE – John, if you please. I assume you are suggesting that I am mistaken – or that planchette is mistaken. I assure you this is not the case. A nun was most specifically suggested.

DR. MONTAGUE – I am only trying to say, my dear, that the spectre of a nun is far and away the most common form of appearance. There has never been such a thing connected with Hill House.

MRS. MONTAGUE – John, if you please. May I continue? Or is planchette to be dismissed without a hearing? Thank you...now then. There is also a name, spelled variously as Helen, or Helene, or Elena. Who might that be?

DR. MONTAGUE – My dear, many people have lived in this-

MRS. MONTAGUE – Helen brought us a warning against a mysterious monk. Now when a monk and nun both turn up in one house – it sounds very much like broken vows to me. Very much.

DR. MONTAGUE – I hardly think...

MRS. MONTAGUE – I daresay she was walled up alive. The nun, I mean. They always did that. You've no idea the messages I've gotten from nuns walled up alive.

DR. MONTAGUE – There is no case on record of any nun ever being-

MRS. MONTAGUE – May I point out once more that I myself have received messages from such nuns? Or is it possible that I am mistaken again, John?

DR. MONTAGUE – No nun was ever walled up alive. It's all legend. Imagination.

MRS. MONTAGUE – All right, John. We won't quarrel over it. Just understand, however, that sometimes purely materialistic views give way before facts.