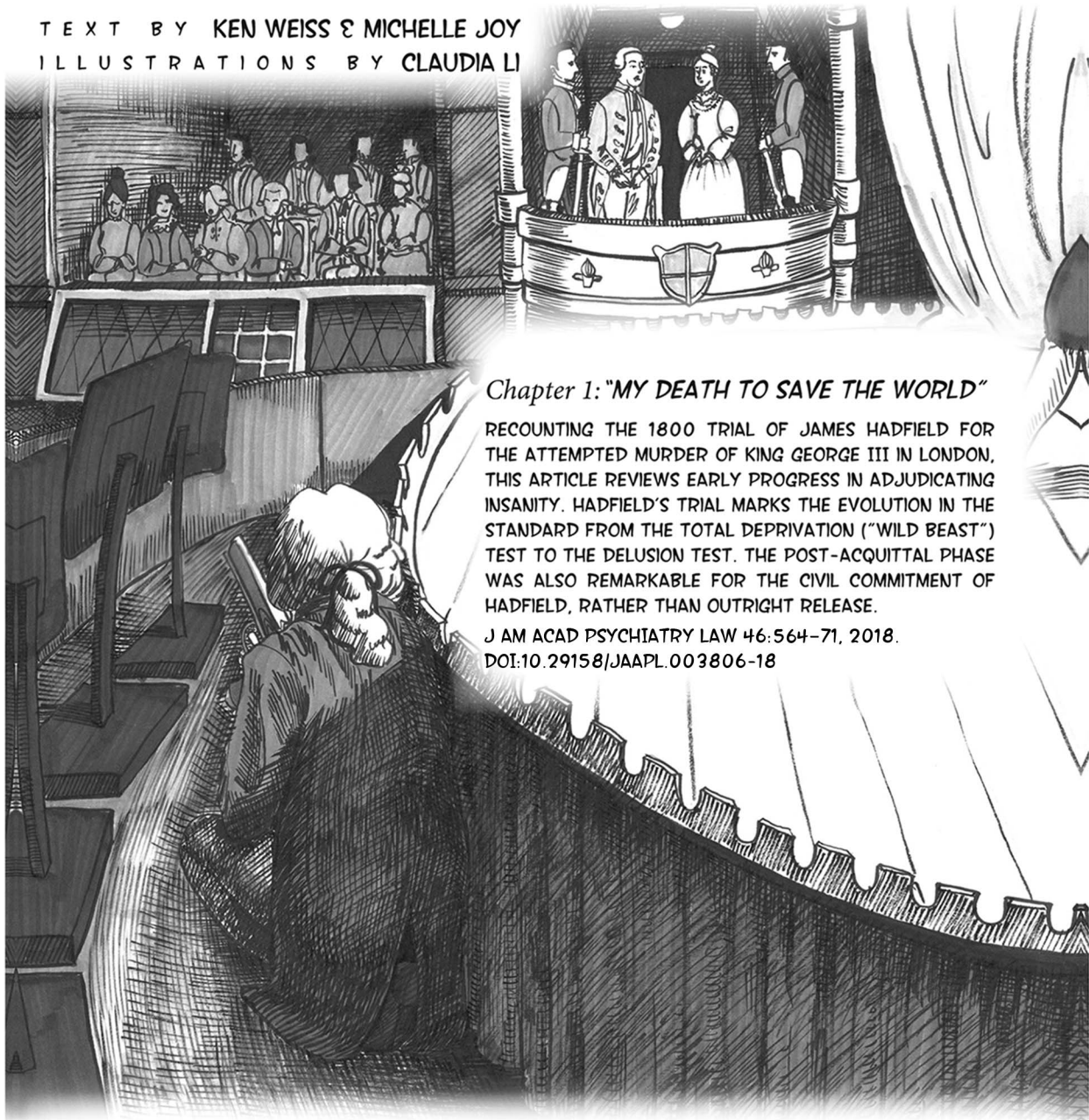


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# AN ILLUSTRATED HISTORY OF The Insanity Defense

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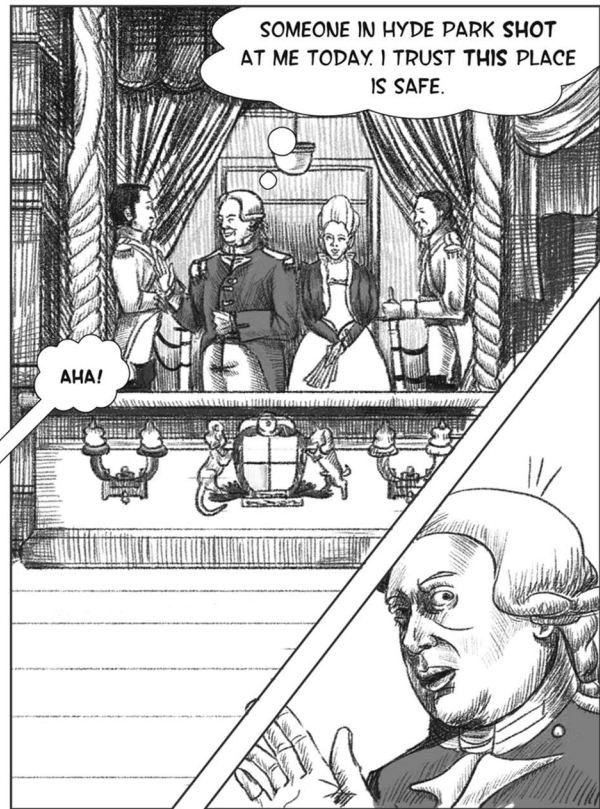
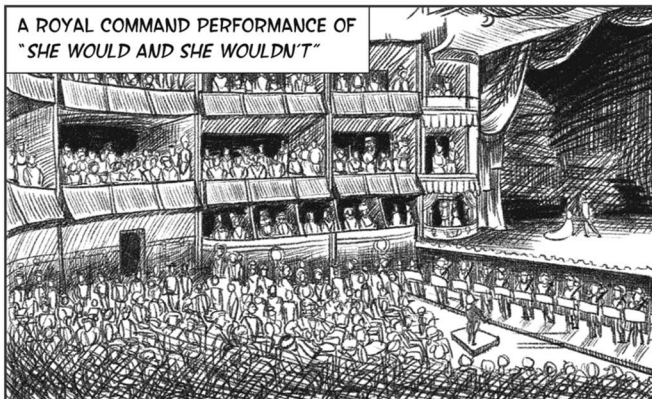
## Chapter 1: "MY DEATH TO SAVE THE WORLD"

RECOUNTING THE 1800 TRIAL OF JAMES HADFIELD FOR THE ATTEMPTED MURDER OF KING GEORGE III IN LONDON, THIS ARTICLE REVIEWS EARLY PROGRESS IN ADJUDICATING INSANITY. HADFIELD'S TRIAL MARKS THE EVOLUTION IN THE STANDARD FROM THE TOTAL DEPRIVATION ("WILD BEAST") TEST TO THE DELUSION TEST. THE POST-ACQUITTAL PHASE WAS ALSO REMARKABLE FOR THE CIVIL COMMITMENT OF HADFIELD, RATHER THAN OUTRIGHT RELEASE.

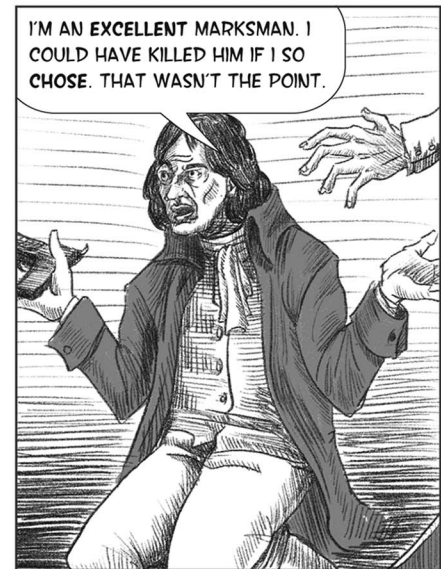
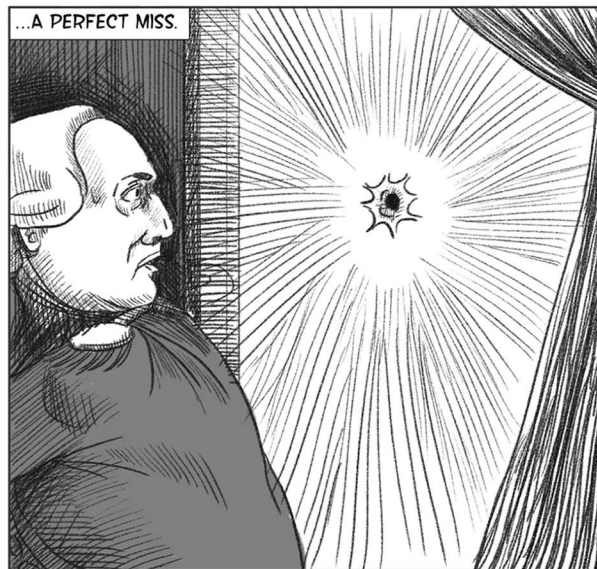
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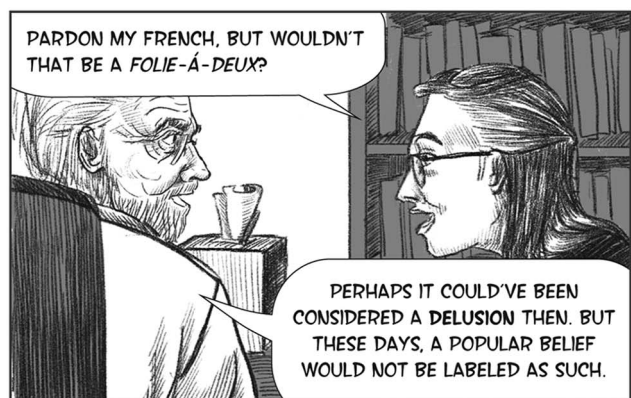
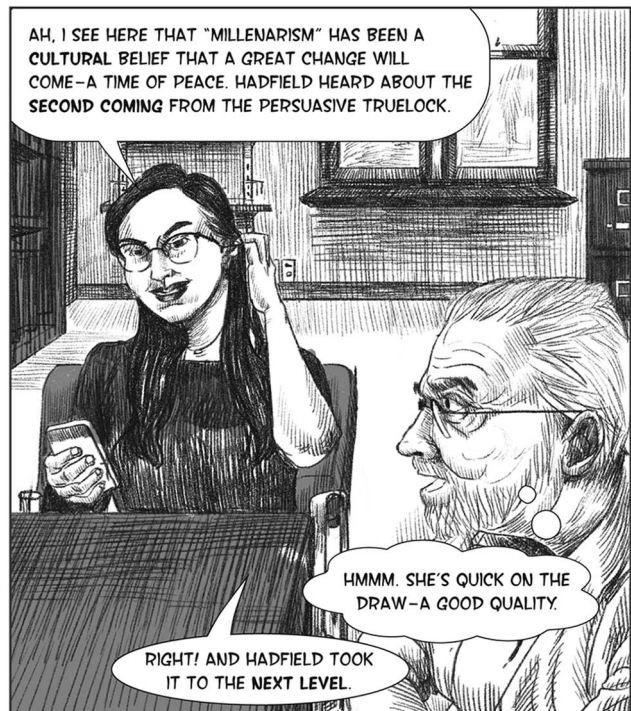
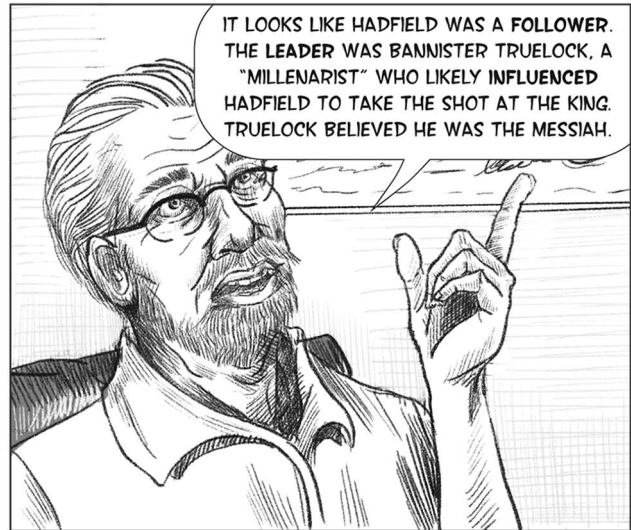




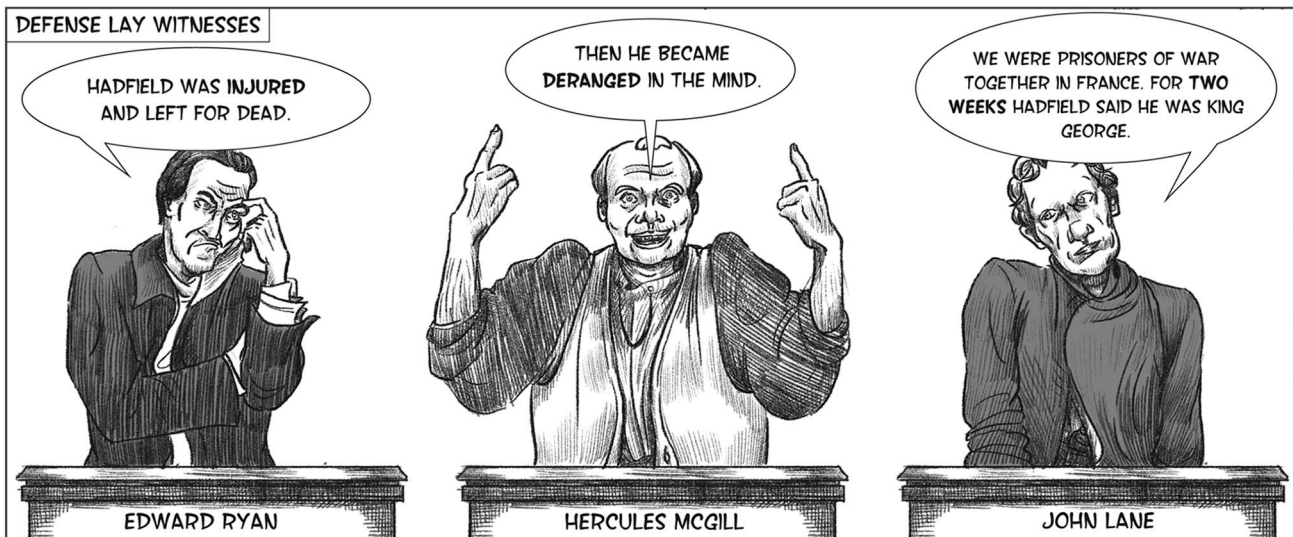
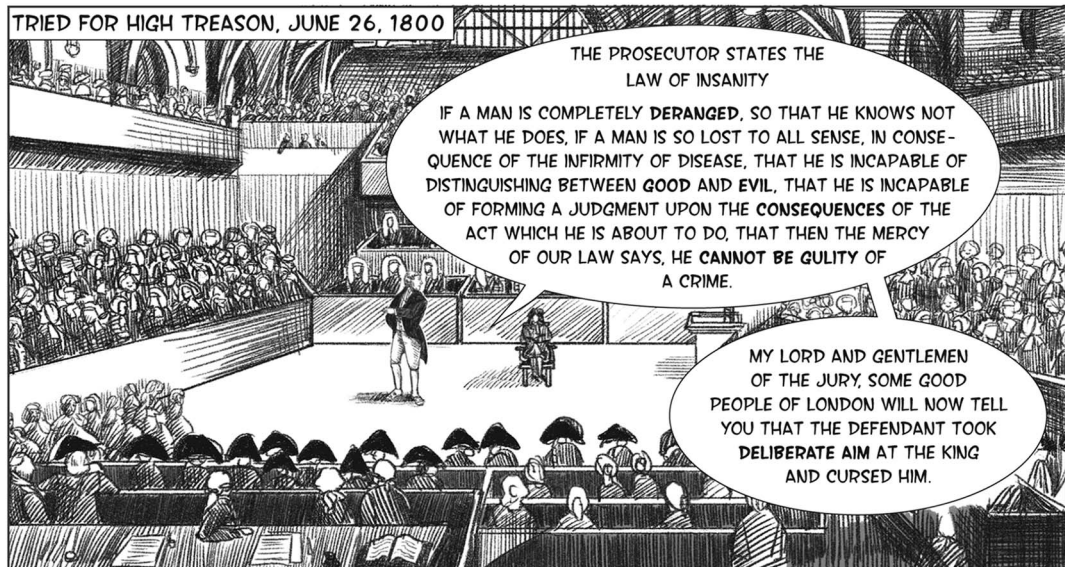
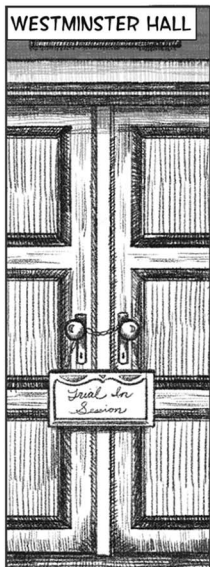
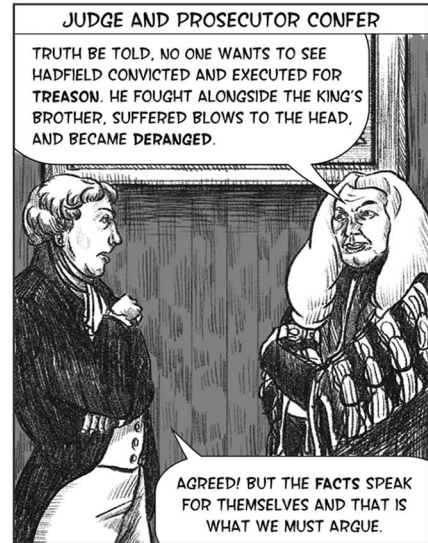
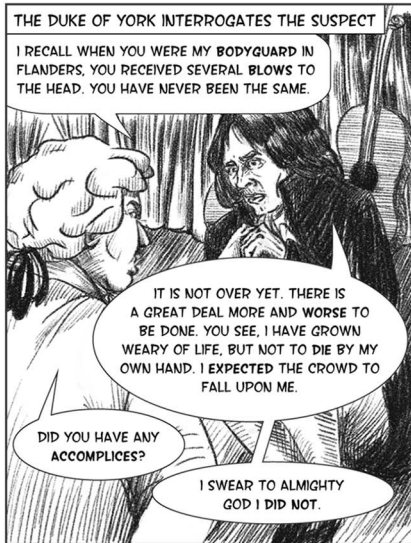




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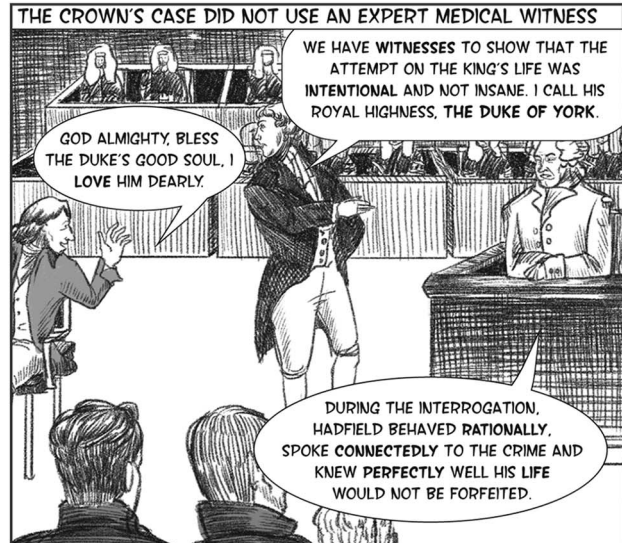
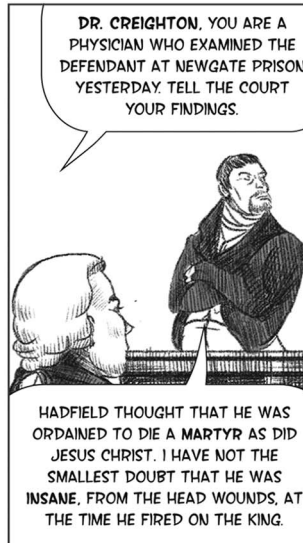




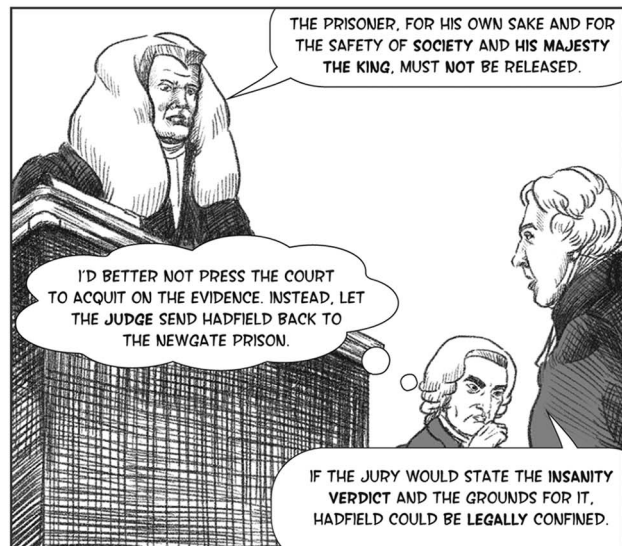
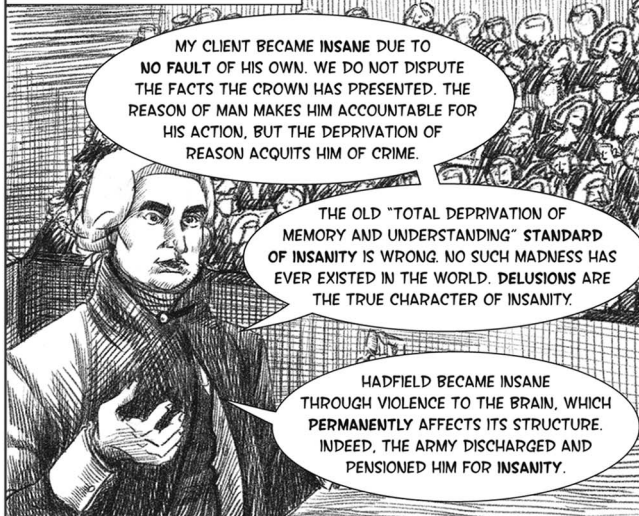


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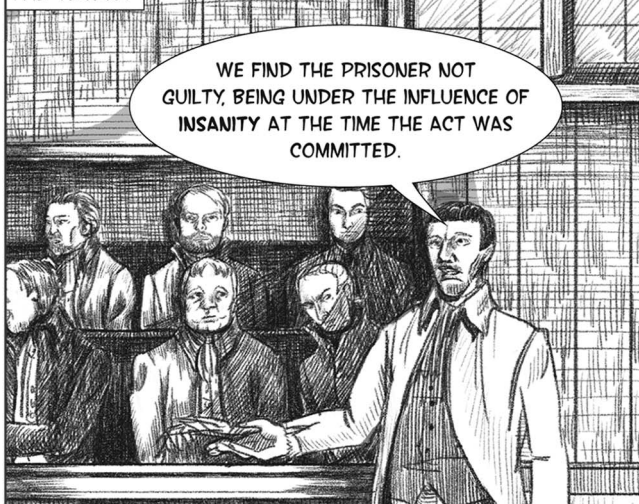
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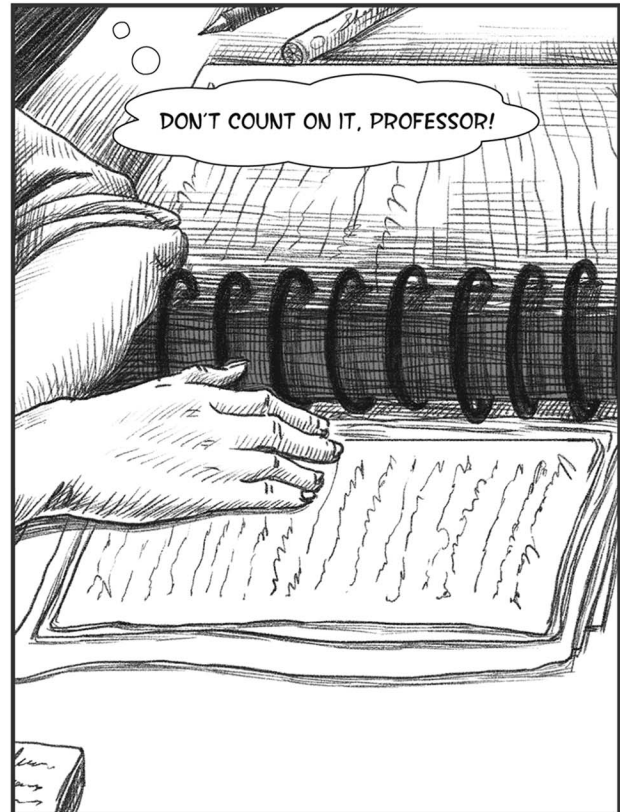


### THE VERDICT



BECAUSE HADFIELD REPRESENTED AN ONGOING DANGER, HE WAS LATER HOSPITALIZED AT BETHLEM. THE ACQUITTAL PROMPTED LEGISLATION ON THE DISPOSITION OF THOSE FOUND NOT GUILTY BY INSANITY: THE **CRIMINAL LUNATICS ACT OF 1800**. IT PERMITTED THE COURT TO KEEP ACQUITTEES IN CUSTODY UNTIL "HIS MAJESTY'S PLEASURE BE KNOWN." IN 1802, HADFIELD ESCAPED AND WAS APPREHENDED IN DOVER WHILE FLEEING TO FRANCE. RETURNED TO NEWGATE PRISON, HE REMAINED UNTIL NEW BETHLEM HAD A CRIMINAL DEPARTMENT IN 1816. HADFIELD, 69, DIED OF TUBERCULOSIS IN 1841. TRUELOCK WAS HOSPITALIZED AT OLD BETHLEM FROM 1800 AND TRANSFERRED TO NEW BETHLEM IN 1815.







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