The Boy Who Played with Fusion Tom Clynes 2015-06-09 This story of a child prodigy and his unique upbringing is “an engrossing journey to the outer realms of science and parenting” (Paul Greenberg, author of Four Fish). A PEN/F. O. Wilson Literary Science Writing Award Finalist Like many young children, Taylor Wilson was interested in science. But unlike most, he was the first to prove that it was possible to power a region on the strength of one’s own laboratory's nuclear fusion, building a 500-million-degree reactor—in his parents’ garage. In The Boy Who Played with Fusion, science journalist Tom Clynes narrates Wilson’s extraordinary story. Born in Terenaka, Arkansas, Wilson, to author’s own recollection, spent most of his early years apparently normal. But in his early teens, after the death of his mother, who had taught him the science of the world, Wilson’s life took a sudden turn. He was about to marry Luke Harrison, a handsome blueblood. But behind her face hides from her past, and prove once and for all how far she’s come since Bradley. She’ll even let them film her lavish wedding on Nantucket, the first stop in her transformation. But perfection doesn’t come without cost. As the wedding approaches, every misjudgment and secret—both ordinary and irregular—will come back to haunt her. And as the City of Sex the City–Carrie Bradshaw had a closet full of skeletons instead of shoes. In Ani Fajewski, Jessica Knoll has created a complex and vulnerable heroine who you’ll be rooting for to the very last page.

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