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Tony Ellis — 02 Apr 1998, 10:05

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Robert Borski wrote:

...inferentially we may assume Number Five's name to be the male equivalent of Jeannine or Jean/Gene.

Doh!

As for the "Wolfe" moiety, besides the library reference, Number Five remarks that his house is sometimes referred to as Maison du Chien and that this "may have been a reference to our surname as well." [ibid. pg 14].

Doh!

I'm so stupid. Thank you Robert. Thank you Damien. I think I must have read Cerberus too early in life, to have such a blinkered view of it now. I wonder what else I've missed?

Matthew Freestone — 02 Apr 1998, 12:40 · follows Tony Ellis

Gene Wolfe" as the narrator of Cerberus:

In "Strokes", Clute writes about a conversation between Wolfe and an SF criticism class he was running: (Student) ...could the narrator's name really be Gene Wolfe? Gene glanced at the student in mild surprise. "Why of course," he said, as though he were the last person in the world to have a secret.

I also seem to remember a passage (I don't have 5HC with me, so I can't check) where the name of the house and the name of the narrator are compared... something like that anyway.

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