DECONstructing the Works of Mann

This was one of Mann's many experiments with "maybe" cameras devices that may or may not contain functional cameras, creating u about whether or not they are being watched. Regarding the poten "maybe" cameras, Mann puts it this way in his book: "Is the camer wearing actually broadcasting? Well, do you feel lucky? That some be equipped with a hidden WebCam would, I believe, be a strong tempted to abuse authority."

This is reminiscent of the 19th century panopticon prison designe and discussed at length by Michael Foucault (in *Discipline and Pun* prisoners are isolated but permanently visible to unseen prison gua observation is assumed; prisoners are never sure when or even if th and fear encourages them to be on their best behaviour. Mann not analysis of the panopticon's gradual extension beyond the prison's society (evidenced by secret police, hidden cameras, dossiers and d chronicles the emergence of today's surveillance society. Somehow are being observed constantly, we accept it because we believe it se

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