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[Suggested in The Five Orange Pips]

A Corresponding Scion Society of The Baker Steet Irregulars

... Kiyoshi Tanaka, Japan's 12th Night Reflections nonpareil Sherlockian, sent on this snapshot of Nippon's

> youngest Holmesian. PPofFer Dr. Diana Carr reported a Mensa Murder Weekend, mid-April in Winter Haven, FL. ... Kudos to our "Red Indian", Bill Ward[Maj.Prendergast,BSI] whose sonnet on Ron DeWaal appeared in Bill Rabe's "The Agony Column". Also to BSI Paul Smedegaard, our S'ian politico, who recently won his race for City Council in racy Racine, WISC.. He franked all his campaign material with PPofF Oldie-Goldie postage stamps. With such an edge - no way could he lose. ... Sherlockiana is now fully emersed in the hi-tech era what with a plethora of video and audio cassettes, computor mysteries.

mystery weekends by train, boat, air, and bus. Workshops, inaugurated by the venerable JBShaware still vogue. ... Arlyn Katims, of Miami's "Tropical Deerstalkers" relates the doings of this neighbor Scion. PPofFers - Be sure to let us know if coming to the

"The Great Mouse Detective," a Disney cartoon that has been in preparation for four years, will debut on July 2. Henry Mancini composed the score. The film's working title was "Basil of Baker Street" and, obviously, there are similarities to Sherlock Holmes. Prof. Ratigan, Basil's archenemy, is responsible for a

kidnaping.

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Philatelic hilandering

.... or "Stamping Around" with SHERLOCK HOLMES.

This Recorder recently discovered a most interesting philatelic find - a copy of the famous "One-Penny Black" [the world's 1st stamp] with "V" & "R" in the upper corners, obviously commemorating Holmes' on the wall at 221-B..... The recent U.S. "Love" issue depicts the Hound as a pup. Below is pictured a unique First Day Cover of our not-so-





Figure 1. The recent 22¢ Love stamp tied by a first day cancel to an origami construction in the shape of the stamp pup.

cago, sent on a
Xerox of his Sherlockian
stamp collection, a page for
each Adventure with numerous
stamps appropriate for each.
It is quite complete and
imaginative. ... Readers
are urged to send in any
stamps with Sherlockian
connotation. 'Til then, keep
on lookin' & lickin'.





[This was a great favourite for tea time at 221-B Baker Street, London]

3/4 cup flour & teaspoon baking soda 1 teasp. baking powder Pinch of Cream of Tartar 2½ tablespoons bacon fat or butter ½ cup cooled mashed potatoes ½ teasp. salt 2 to 3 tablespoons milk

Sift together the first 4 ingredients. Rub the fat or butter into the flour. Add mashed potatoes and salt. Mix and add a little milk to make a soft dough. Roll the dough about ½ inch thick on a floured board. Cut into rounds about 3 inches in diameter. Bake in a pre-heated 425° oven for about 30 minutes, or until golden. Split and serve hot with butter. Makes four scones.

■ St. Petersburg EVENING INDEPENDENT, Monday, April 21 1986 *

Holmes was a tough die-hard

The Dog That Didn't Bark

Elementary, My Dear Watson

aloha to Watson

Holmes: 'I'll Seek Redemption'

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The Dallas Morning News

Thursday, April 10, 1986

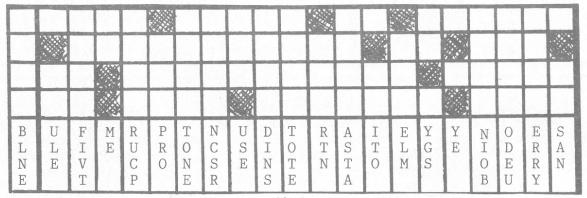
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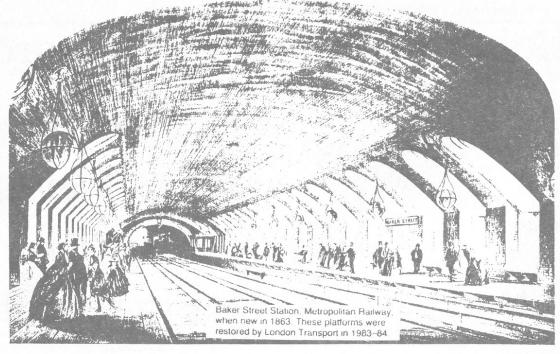
S'IAN PUZZLES

QUOTATION PUZZLE # 5

Unscramble & fill in this Canonical Quotation using the letters below, The letters are, however, in their proper column. The four boxes in the lower-right designate the source of the quote. Go get 'em!

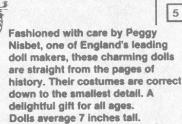






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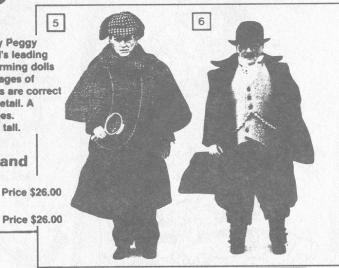
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still has 5. - The Rev'd Wayne Wall, BSI, copies of his "God & Sherlock Holmes". Hardcover, autographed=\$25,only \$12 for softcover - perhaps he'll sign it, if you ask nicely.

6. - Bill Rabe's "Agony Column", a nifty S'ian bi-monthly, \$5 per annum. Write Bill at

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ONE OF THE MOST intriguing of the Victorian delights is called Violets in Beer Batter, so help me Inspector Lestrade. ("Wash flowers and drain. Dip flowers into beer batter. Deep fry to a golden crisp.")

Suppose you could try that with periwinkles?

Main courses called Soused Mackerel and Jugged Hare might lead you to drink. If so, there is a dessert for you: Gooseberry Fool.

I LOVE THIS one just because of its name — Cocka-Leekie Soup. It's made with leeks, and prunes. "Quick Watson, the Alka-Seltzer!"

Care for Deep-Fried Olives and Cheese? Sounds like Pepto-Bismol's upset of the week to me.

Here's a recipe for A Trout in the Milk, included because Holmes once said: "Circumstantial evidence is occasionally very convincing, as when you find a trout in the milk."

THIS, THE AUTHORS say, refers to a common practice of the time, that of scooping water from a stream to dilute milk.

"The food adulteration of Holmes' time was at least as poisonous as that of our own," they add, citing alum in bread and lead salts in candy.

Other dishes that refer directly to the Great Detective's exploits include Roast Chicken Lestrade (the recipe specifies a rooster) and Ned Hunter's Curried Mutton (it omits the opium with which stableboy Ned was rendered unconscious).

REMEMBER YOUNG Cartwright, who fetched tinned beef tongue and peaches for Holmes in "The Hound of the Baskervilles?"

There's also a recipe for Baskerville Beef Tongue and another for Peaches Cartwright. (Peaches Cartwright? Didn't she strip at the Club DeLiza?)

If you are not an aficionado you may ask: "Why this interest in what Sherlock Holmes ate?"

Let me answer with the title of another article — from 1967 — on Holmes' dining habits: "Alimentary, My Dear Watson."



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'Care for eggs with gunpowder butter, Mr. 'olmes?'

By BOB SWIFT Knight-Ridder Newspapers

When Sherlock Holmes and his arch-enemy, Professor Moriarty, plunged to their deaths at Reichenbach Falls recently, I was so upset I contemplated hurling myself off a cliff, too.

Having no cliffs handy, however, I settled for barking my shins on the coffee table as I leaped up to turn off the TV.

I WAS ANNOYED because the public television series of Holmes adventures was at an end.

If you are not a Sherlock Holmes buff, you poor benighted soul, you have no idea of how we members of the cult looked forward to this English TV production, nor how painful it is to realize we must wait a whole year for the next Holmes series.

I imagine many fans turned to their Holmes books as soon as the last episode ended, to re-read the tale they had just seen on the tube.

Not me.

BEING HUNGRY, I searched out a 10-year-old cookbook entitled, "Dining With Sherlock Holmes," to savor some gastronomic tidbits, such as the information that Holmes and Watson

dined on "layered egg pancakes" just before the plunge over the falls in "The Final Problem."

It's my favorite recipe book.

That is, except for a jolly volume called "The Martini Cookbook," which, coincidentally, is illustrated by Edward Gorey, the artist who did the classic, animated titles for the PBS "Mystery" series hosted by Vincent Price, of which Holmes is a part.

I HAVE NEVER actually tried the recipes from the Holmes cookbook.

I just admire the painstaking work of authors Julia Rosenblatt and Frederick Sonnenschmidt (he was a chef and president of the Culinary Institute of America when the book was written).

The book includes dishes mentioned in the Holmes sagas (pate de fois gras pie from "The Noble Bachelor").

THERE'S LOADS of trivia (Coffee was Holmes favorite brew. There are 198 references to food or dining in the Holmes saga.).

And there are Victorian treats Holmes just MIGHT have sampled before clip-clopping away in a Hansom cab.



Victorians of Holmes' era loved munchies that don't appeal to me — suet, eels — but might be considered delicacies by the trendy diners who dote on sushi and pasta flavored with octopus ink. ("Have some Jellied Eel, Mr. Trendy?")

BUT I LOVE to read about that popular Victorian dish, Bubble-and-Squeak, which 'pon my soul, was a breakfast casserole of chopped meat and boiled cabbage.

"Top o' the mornin' to ye, Mr. 'olmes and 'ow about a bit o' Bubble-and-Squeak?"

"Thank you, Mrs. Hudson. Burp!"

WANT A DAB of Chicken Corma, made with chili powder and yogurt? Eggs With Gunpowder Butter (the butter's flamed with sherry) or Fricasseed Eel, anyone?

"Not your run-of-the-mill Lean Cuisine, eh, Watson?"

How would you like to face a platter of Marrow Toast at 7 a.m.? It's bone marrow melted on toast. Urp.

