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**THE RETURN OF
 SHERLOCK HOLMES.**
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VI.—The Adventure of Black Peter.

HAVE never known my friend to be in better form, both mental and physical, than in the year '95. His increasing fame had brought with it an immense practice, and I should be guilty of an indiscretion if I were even to hint at the identity of some of the illustrious clients who crossed our humble threshold in Baker Street. Holmes, however, like all great artists, lived for his art's sake, and, save in the case of the Duke of Holderness, I have seldom known him claim any large reward for his inestimable services. So unworlily was he—or so capricious—that he frequently refused his help to the powerful and wealthy where the problem made no appeal to his sympathies, while he would devote weeks of most intense application to the affairs of some humble client whose case presented those strange and dramatic qualities which appealed to his imagination and challenged his ingenuity.

In this memorable year '95 a curious and incongruous succession of cases had engaged his attention, ranging from his famous investigation of the sudden death of Cardinal Tooca—an inquiry which was carried out by him at the express desire of His Holiness the Pope—down to his arrest of Wilson, the notorious canary-trainer, which removed a plague-spot from the East-end of London. Close on the heels of these two famous cases came the tragedy of Woodman's Lee, and the very obscure circumstances which surrounded the death of Captain Peter Carey. No record of the doings of Mr. Sherlock Holmes would be complete which did not include some account of this very unusual affair.

During the first week of July my friend had been absent so often and so long from our lodgings that I knew he had something on hand. The fact that several rough-looking men called during that time and inquired for Captain Basil made me understand that Holmes was working somewhere under one of the numerous disguises and names with which he concealed his own formidable identity. He had at least five small refuges in different parts of London in which he was able to change his personality. He said nothing of his business to me, and it was not my habit to force a confidence. The first positive sign which he gave me of the direction which his investigation was taking was an extraordinary one. He had gone out before breakfast, and I had sat down to mine, when he strode into the room, his hat upon his head and a huge barbed-headed spear tucked like an umbrella under his arm.

"Good gracious, Holmes!" I cried. "You don't mean to say that you have been walking about London with that thing?"

"I drove to the butcher's and back."

"The butcher's?"

"And I return with an excellent appetite. There can be no question, my dear Watson, of the value of exercise before breakfast. But I am prepared, to, bet that you will not guess the firm that my exercise has taken."

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SHERLOCK HOLMES CANONPUZZLES

**Word Search, Criss Cross & Crossword Puzzle
 DEVELOPED BY STEVE MASON**

The Return of Sherlock Holmes

The Adventure of Black Peter, Part 3

**These Puzzles include specific terms related to the story.
 All words and terms come directly out of the Canon.**

**Thanks to Bill Dorn for his gracious allowance of
 vocabulary words from Study Guide to Sherlock Holmes,
 vols. 1 and 2**

AMBUSCADE

BADE

BEARING

BESPATTERED

BOARDS

BRISTLED

BURGLAR

CLOUDED

DAMNING

DISPLACEMENT

DRAB

DRUNKARD

EXCEEDINGLY

FIT

FLUSHED

FORMIDABLE

FRUITLESS

GAUZE

HARMONIUM

HIGH

HOUSE

INCONGRUOUS

INQUEST

KNICKERBOCKERS

LEAVES

LOG

OBSCURE

PAST

POINT

PROFESSED

QUEST

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TIP

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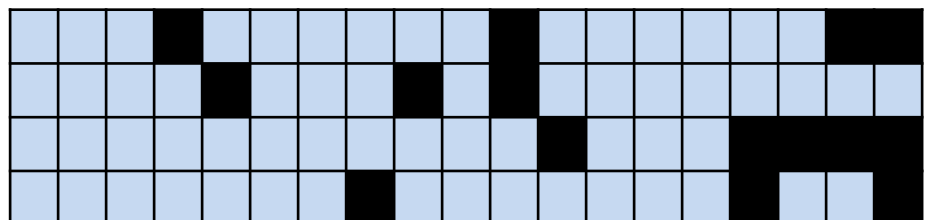
WIRE

YARN

Black Peter (Puzzle #7)

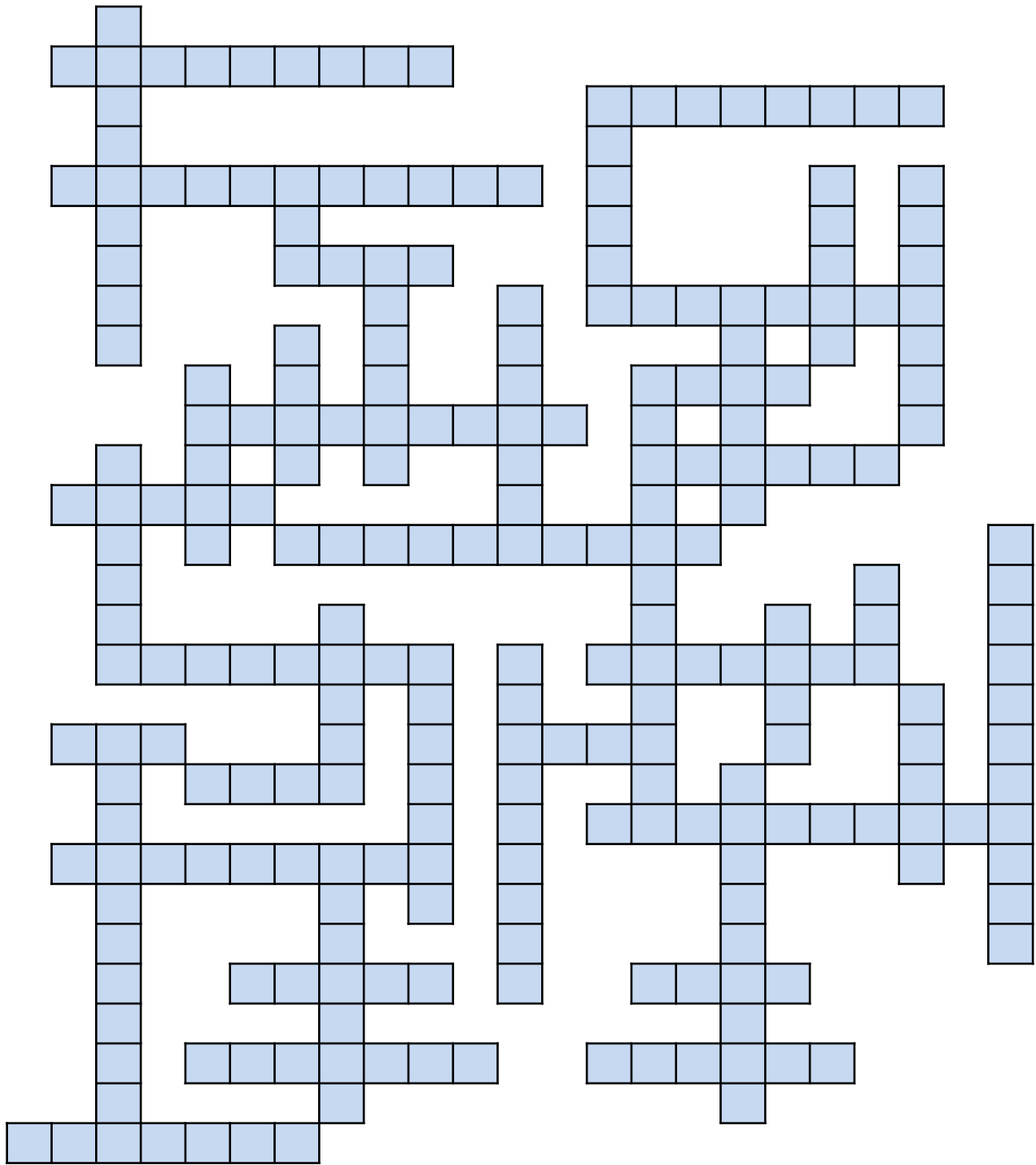
WORDCIRCLE: Find each of the listed words in the puzzle. Click on each letter found and circle it with a CAPITAL "O". You can tab between letters. Once all terms are found, the remaining un-circled letters should complete a quote from the story below.

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Black Peter (Puzzle #8)

CRISS-CROSS: Fit each word into their proper place in the Framework.



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| FIT | PAST | POINT | ROOMED | CLOUDED | | | |
| LOG | SELF | QUEST | SALLOW | DAMNING | DRUNKARD | PROFESSED | BESPATTERED |
| TIP | WIRE | THONG | SEALER | FLUSHED | SKULKING | SOVEREIGN | EXCEEDINGLY |
| BADE | YARN | VIGIL | SHEATH | INQUEST | AMBUSCADE | UNWORLDLY | INCONGRUOUS |
| DRAB | GAUZE | BOARDS | BEARING | OBSCURE | FRUITLESS | FORMIDABLE | DISPLACEMENT |
| HIGH | HOUSE | LEAVES | BURGLAR | BRISTLED | HARMONIUM | STONEMASON | KNICKERBOCKERS |

Black Peter (Puzzle #9)

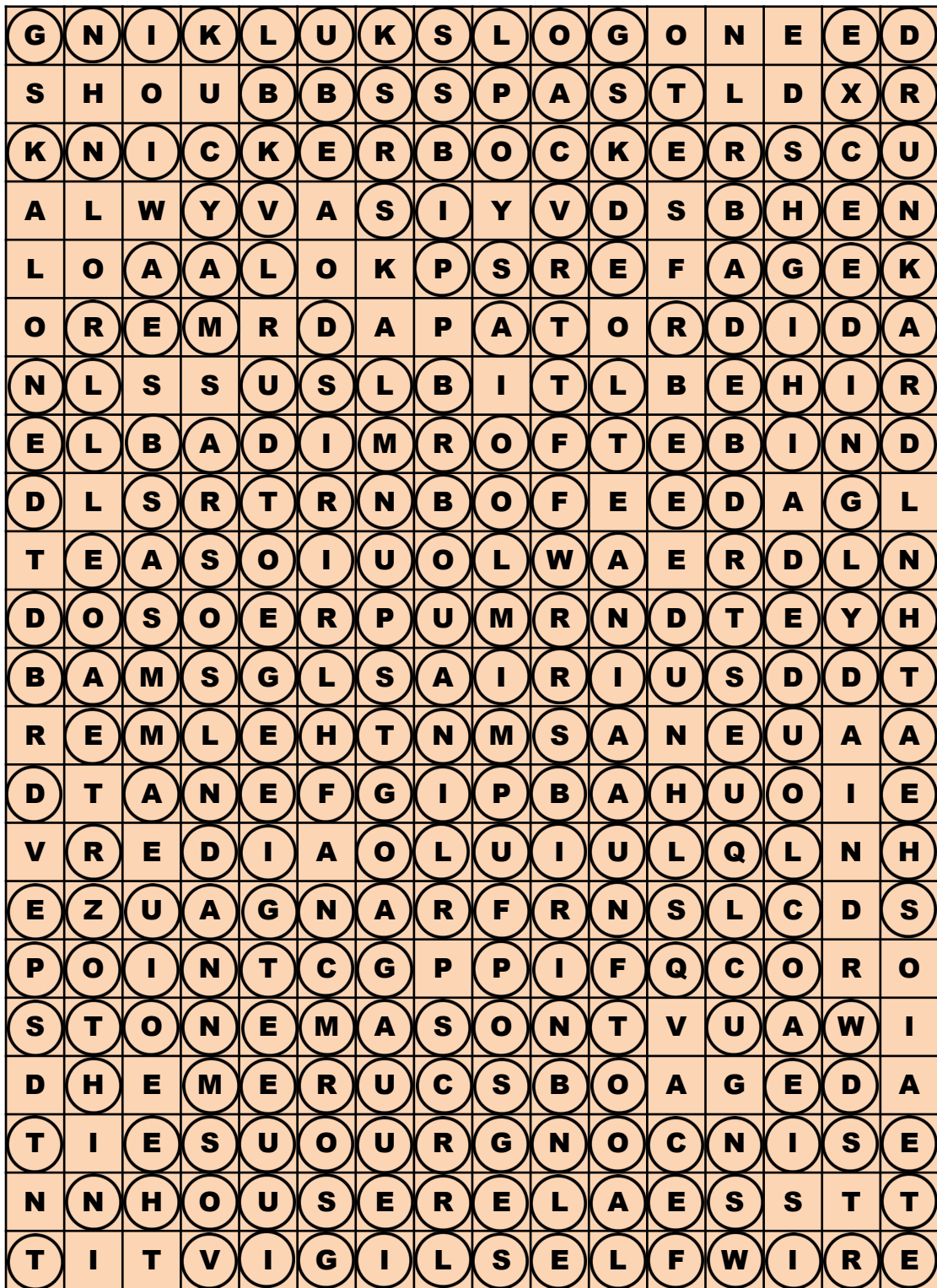
Across

4. Person who cuts, prepares, and builds with stone
11. Cover for the blade of a knife
12. Pertaining to the sun
13. Inspiring fear or respect
16. Powdered tobacco sniffed up the nostril
17. Person's way of standing or moving
19. Telegram
20. Prohibit
22. Short piece of wood tapered at one end designed to hold things together
24. Sickly yellowish color
25. Female domestic servant
27. _____ - book; record of events during a voyage
30. _____ - composure
32. Ambush
34. Arm or leg
35. Posterior side
37. Action word
39. Sudden uncontrollable outbreak of emotion or other action
40. Thin translucent fabric of silk or cotton
42. _____ - road; main road; a highway
44. Termination
46. Teased
49. Not having much awareness of the realities of life
52. Silvery white metal
53. Failing to achieve the desired results
55. Starting - _____
56. Intense shared enthusiasm for something
57. Container, typically round made of metal or ceramic
58. Person charged with or on trial for a crime
60. Long or arduous search for something
63. Judicial inquiry to ascertain facts relating to an incident
66. Half - _____
68. Pages
70. Finding something funny or entertaining
73. Bull's - _____
74. Person who habitually drinks alcohol
75. Lying in hiding

Down

1. Small island
2. Person engaged in hunting seals
3. Moved an implement through a liquid to mix thoroughly
5. Narrow strip of leather used for binding
6. Very small
7. Exclamation of surprise
8. _____ - lamp
9. Showed worry or anger
10. Claimed or asserted openly but often falsely
14. Condensation on the morning grass
15. Thief; robber
18. Small metal spike with flat head
21. Slaughter - _____
23. Strongly suggesting guilt or error
24. Gold coin worth one pound
26. Dull light brown
28. Not clearly expressed or easily understood
29. Long or rambling story, especially one that is implausible
31. Worry; despair
33. Uttered a greeting or farewell to
36. Tobacco residue
37. Period of keeping awake to watch over something
38. Stood upright away from the skin
41. Unkind; inconsiderate; or unreasonable
43. Nothing
45. Ensnares; traps
47. Organlike keyboard instrument
48. Snake-like fish
49. Canceled or reversed the effects of
50. Single - _____
51. Dull grayish-brown color
54. Coal - _____
56. Excited or elated by something
59. Corrupt; vile
61. Pointed end of a spear or harpoon
62. Flooring
64. Person who dishonestly claims to a skill in some field
65. Being the same in quantity, size or value
66. Large leg bone
69. Person's snug or secluded retreat or shelter
71. Opium - _____
72. Light brown

Black Peter (Puzzle #7)



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 L O O K F O R A P O S S I B L E
 A L T E R N A T I V E A N D
 P R O V I D E A G A I N S T I T

Black Peter (Puzzle #8)

