

### Reminiscences of Mr. Sherlock Holmes.

(From the Diaries of his friend—John H. Watson, M.D.)

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#### The Adventure of the Bruce-Partington Plans.

**I**N the third week of November, in the year 1895, a dense yellow fog settled down upon London. From the Monday to the Thursday I doubt whether it was ever possible from our windows in Baker Street to see the loom of the opposite houses. The first day Holmes had spent in cross-indexing his huge book of references. The second and third had been patiently occupied upon a subject which he had recently made his hobby—the music of the Middle Ages. But when, for the fourth time, after pushing back our chairs from breakfast we saw the greasy, heavy brown swirl still drifting past us and condensing in oily drops upon the window-pane, my comrade's impatient and active nature could endure this drab existence no longer. He paced restlessly about our sitting room in a fever of suppressed energy, biting his nails, tapping the furniture, and chafing against inaction.

"Nothing of interest in the paper, Watson?" he asked.

"I was aware that by anything of interest Holmes meant anything of criminal interest. There was the news of a revolution, of a possible war, and of an impending change of Government; but these did not come within the horizon of my companion. I could see nothing recorded in the shape of crime which was not commonplace and futile. Holmes grunted and resumed his restless meanderings.

"The London criminal is certainly a dull fellow," said he, in the querulous voice of the sportsman whose game has failed him. "Look out of this window, Watson. See how the figures loom up, are dimly seen, and then blend once more into the cloud-bank. The thief or the murderer could roam London on such a day as the tiger does the jungle, unseen until he pounces, and then evident only to his victim."

"There have," said I, "been numerous petty thefts."

Holmes snorted his contempt.

"This great and sombre stage is set for something more worthy than that," said he. "It is fortunate for this community that I am not a criminal."

"It is indeed!" said I, heartily.

"Suppose that I were Brooks or Woodhouse, or any of the fifty men who have good reason for taking my life, how long could I survive against my own pursuit? A summons, a bogus appointment, and all would be over. It is well they don't have days of fog in the Latin countries—the countries of assassination. By Jove! here comes something at last to break our dead monotony."

"It was the maid with a telegram. Holmes tore it open and burst out laughing.

"Well, well! What next?" said he.

"Brother Mycroft is coming round."

"Why not?" I asked.

"Why not? It is as if you met a tram car coming down a country lane. Mycroft has his rails and he runs on them. His Pall Mall lodgings, the Diogenes Club, Whitehall—that is his cycle. Once, and only once, he has been here. What upheaval can possibly have derailed him?"

"Does he not explain?"

Holmes handed me his brother's telegram.

"Must see you over Cadogan West. Coming at once—Mycroft."

"Cadogan West? I have heard the name."

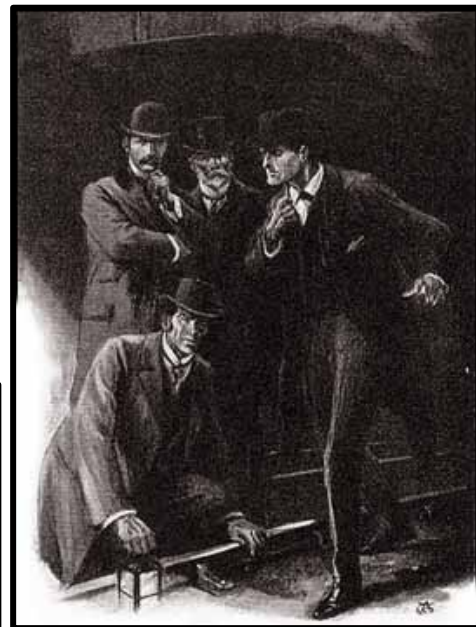
"It recalls nothing to my mind. But that Mycroft should break out in this erratic fashion! A planet might as well leave its orbit. By the way, do you know what Mycroft is?"

I had some vague recollection of an explanation at the time of the Adventure of the Greek Interpreter.

"You told me that he had some small office under the British Government."

Holmes chuckled.

"I did not know you quite so well in those days. One has to be discreet when one talks of high matters of State. You are right in thinking that he is under the British



## **SHERLOCK HOLMES CANONPUZZLES**

### **Word Search, Criss Cross & Crossword Puzzle**

**DEVELOPED BY STEVE MASON**

## **His Last Bow**

# **The Adventure of the Bruce-Partington Plans -- Part 1**

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

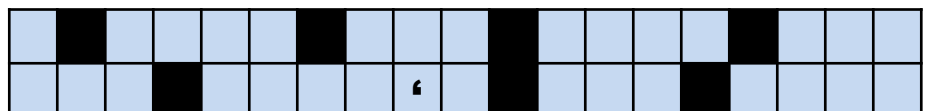
**Thanks to Bill Dorn for his gracious allowance of vocabulary words from Study Guide to Sherlock Holmes, vols. 1 and 2**

# Bruce – Partington Plans (Puzzle #1)

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.

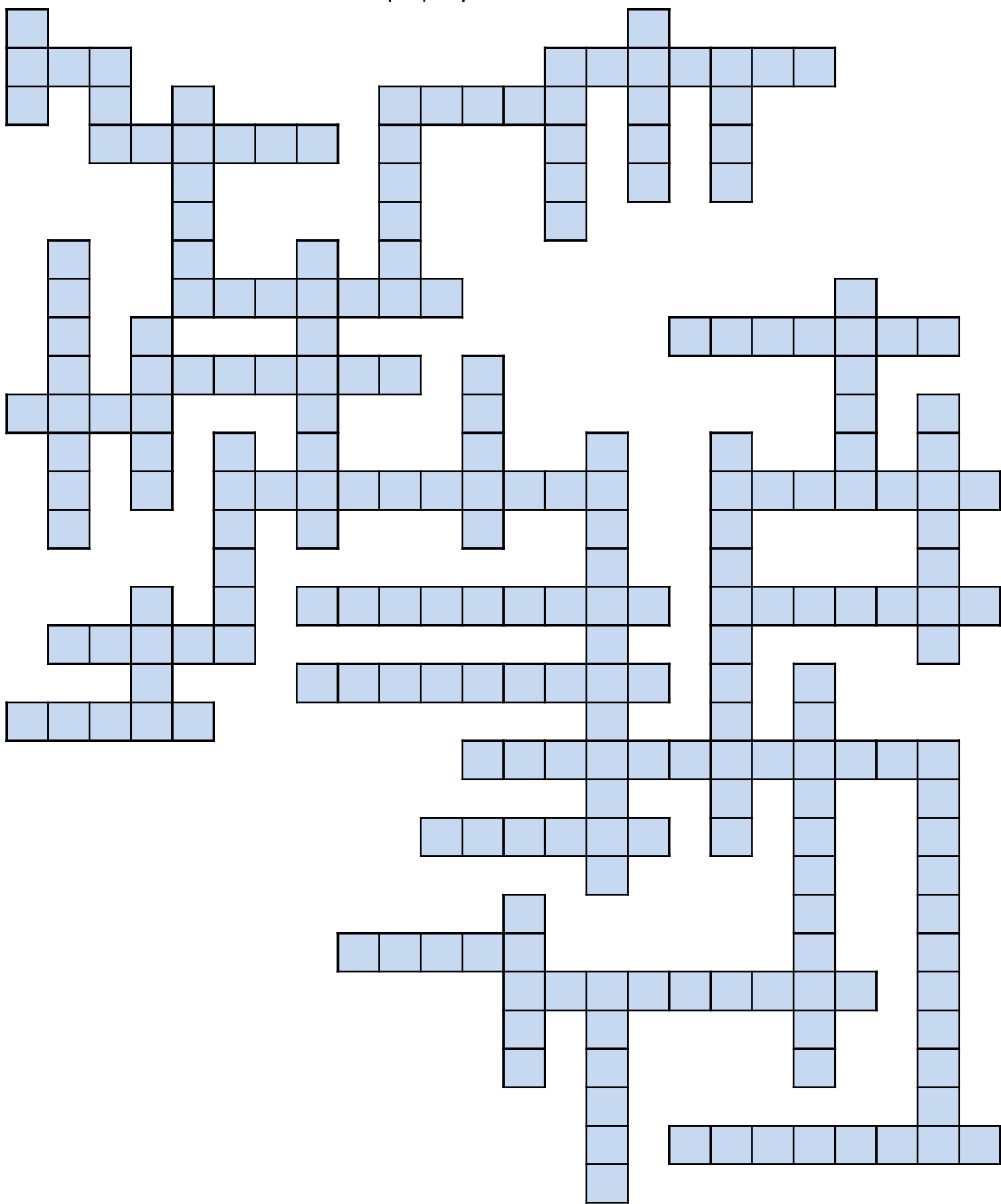
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- CYCLE
- DISPATCHING
- DRAUGHTSMAN
- EPOCH
- FOG
- FRIVOLITY
- GARISH
- HAGGARD
- HILARITY
- INERTIA
- JOVE
- LIFE
- MEANDERINGS
- MONOTONY
- OFF
- PETTY
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- PRECIPITATED
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- SHEAF
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- SUBSIDED
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- TRIFLES
- UNCOUTH
- VALET

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## Bruce – Partington Plans (Puzzle #2)

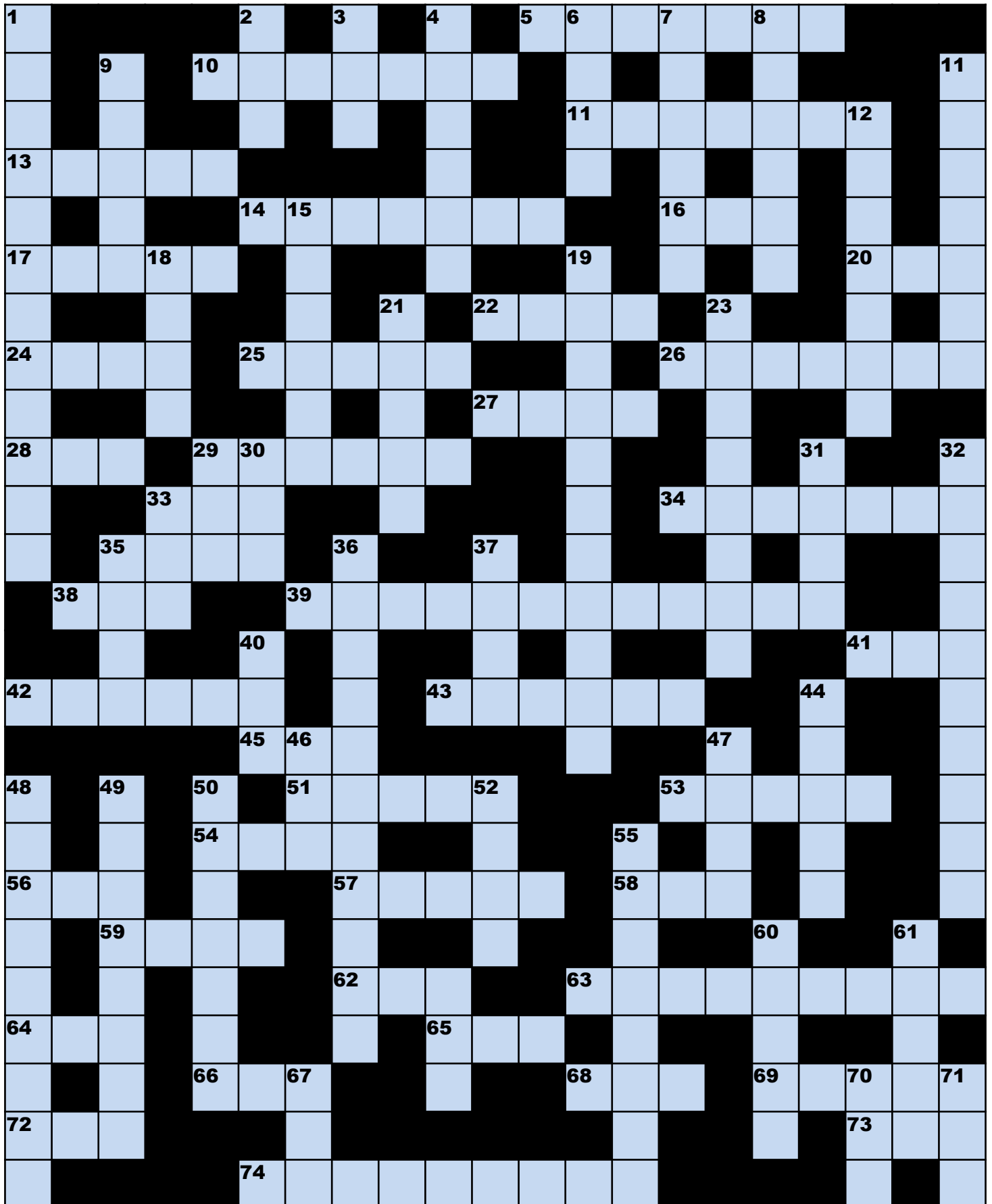
CRISS-CROSS: Fit each word into their proper place in the Framework.



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# Bruce – Partington Plans (Puzzle #3)

CROSSWORD: Each clue is a term from the Canon. Highlighted clues on the next page are from this Story.



## Bruce – Partington Plans (Puzzle #3)

### Across

5. Things of little value or importance
10. Worn and exhausted
11. Tendency to do nothing
13. Make a small hole in something with a sharp point
14. Long, high-pitched noises
16. Billiard - \_\_\_\_\_
17. Young trainee in the police force or armed services
20. Black, thick oily substance
22. Encounter
24. Expression of grief or pity
25. Help or benefit
26. Cleanest; in order
27. Small body of water
28. Permit; rent to someone
29. Lurid; obtrusively bright and showy
33. Label attached to something for identification
34. Thing that moves at a slow pace on all fours
35. Unusual; unique
38. Cash - \_\_\_\_\_
39. Caused an event to happen suddenly
41. In addition to
42. Dark and gloomy
43. Combined to form a single entity
45. Move rapidly to and fro
51. Bundle of objects of one kind
53. Period of time in history or a person's life, marked by notable events
54. Person's snug or secluded retreat or shelter
56. Cry uncontrollably
57. Negligent or showing laziness
58. Different; unusual
59. Spill or flow over the edge of a container
62. Commotion
63. Dominated from a superior position
64. Utter a greeting or farewell to
65. Enemy
66. Male possessive
68. \_\_\_\_\_ - girt
69. Containing nothing
72. Move head slightly up and down
73. Organ for sight
74. Lack of seriousness

### Down

1. Wearing eyeglasses
2. Father
3. Before the present; earlier
4. Necktie; scarf
6. Sudden attack on an enemy
7. Intense; powerful
8. Respect and admiration
9. Something designed to conceal one's true intentions
11. Person who is responsible for a crime or other misdeed
12. Touched or leaned on
15. Tremble
18. Absence of difficulty or effort
19. Convoluted thought or language
21. In the middle of
23. Extreme amusement; boisterous merriment
29. By \_\_\_\_\_ !
30. How old someone is
31. Filled with wonder
32. Showing the ability to speak fluently and coherently
33. Compulsory contribution to government revenue
35. Drawing - \_\_\_\_\_
36. Person who drafts legal documents
37. \_\_\_\_\_ - preserver
40. Fresh; recent
44. Pattern; habit
46. You write me down an \_\_\_\_\_ this time, Watson!
47. Potato
48. Intensely interesting; engrossing
49. Became less intense or severe; lapsed into silence
50. Lacking good manners or grace
52. Thing that is known or proved to be true
55. Lack of variety and interest
60. Servant; assistant
61. Of little importance; trivial
67. Male salutation
70. Writing implement
71. Up until the present; by now or then

# Bruce – Partington Plans (Puzzle #1)

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# Bruce – Partington Plans (Puzzle #2)

