



The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes.
XIX.—THE ADVENTURE OF THE REIGATE SQUIRE.
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It was some time before the health of my friend, Mr. Sherlock Holmes, recovered from the strain caused by his immense exertions in the spring of '87. The whole question of the Netherlands-Siam Company and of the colossal schemes of Baron Maupertuis are too recent in the minds of the public, and are too intimately concerned with politics and finance, to be fitting subjects for this series of sketches. They led, however, in an indirect fashion to a singular and complex problem, which gave my friend an opportunity of demonstrating the value of a fresh weapon among the many with which he waged his life-long battle against crime.

On referring to my notes, I see that it was upon the 14th of April that I received a telegram from Lyons, which informed me that Holmes was lying ill in the Hotel Dulong. Within twenty-four hours I was in his sick room, and was relieved to find that there was nothing formidable in his symptoms. His iron constitution, however, had broken down under the strain of an investigation which had extended over two months, during which period he had never worked less than fifteen hours a day, and had more than once, as he assured me, kept to his task for five days at a stretch. The triumphant issue of his labours could not save him from reaction after so terrible an exertion, and at a time when Europe was ringing with his name, and when his room was literally ankle-deep with congratulatory telegrams, I found him a prey to the blackest depression. Even the knowledge that he had succeeded where the police of three countries had failed, and that he had outmaneuvered at every point the most accomplished swindler in Europe, were insufficient to rouse him from his nervous prostration.

Three days later we were back in Baker Street together, but it was evident that my friend would be much the better for a change, and the thought of a week of springtime in the country was full of attractions to me also.

My old friend Colonel Hayter, who had come under my professional care in Afghanistan, had now taken a house near Reigate, in Surrey, and had frequently asked me to come down to him upon a visit. On the last occasion he had remarked that if my friend would only come with me, he would be glad to extend his hospitality to him also. A little diplomacy was needed, but when Holmes understood that the establishment was a bachelor one, and that he would be allowed the fullest freedom, he fell in with my plans, and a week after our return from Lyons we were under the Colonel's roof. Hayter was a fine old soldier, who had seen much of the world, and he soon found, as I had expected, that Holmes and he had plenty in common.

On the evening of our arrival we were sitting in the Colonel's gun-room after dinner, Holmes stretched upon the sofa, while Hayter and I looked over his little armoury of fire-arms.

"By the way," said he, suddenly, "I think I'll take one of these pistols upstairs with me in case we have an alarm."

"An alarm?" said I.

"Yes, we've had a scare in this part lately. Old Acton, who is one of our county magistrates, had his house broken into last Monday. No great damage done, but the fellows are still at large."

"No clue?" asked Holmes, cocking his eye at the Colonel.

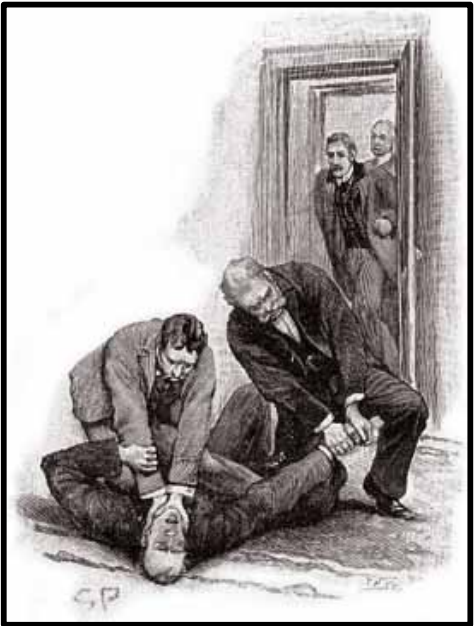
"None as yet. But the affair is a petty one, one of our little country crimes, which must seem too small for your attention, Mr. Holmes, after this great international affair."

Holmes waved away the compliment, though his smile showed that it had pleased him.

"Was there any feature of interest?"

"I fancy not. The thieves ransacked the library and got very little for their pains. The whole place was turned upside down, drawers burst open and presses ransacked, with the result that an odd volume of Pope's 'Homer,' two plated candlesticks, an ivory letter-weight, a small oak barometer, and a ball of twine, are all that have vanished."

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SHERLOCK HOLMES CANON PUZZLES

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

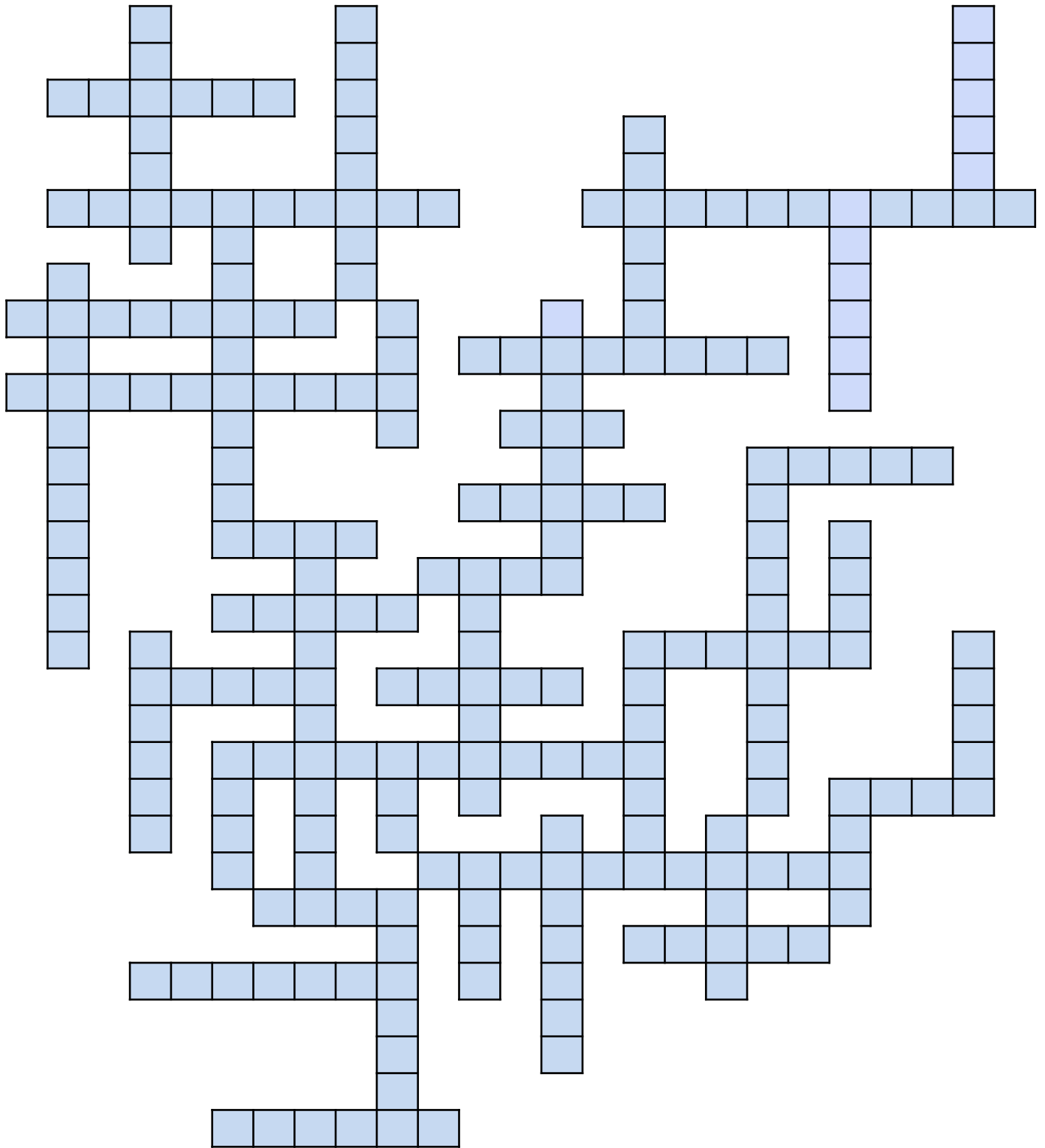
**The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes
The Adventure of the Reigate Squire
(Puzzle), Part 2**

**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**

Reigate Squire (Puzzle) (Puzzle #5)

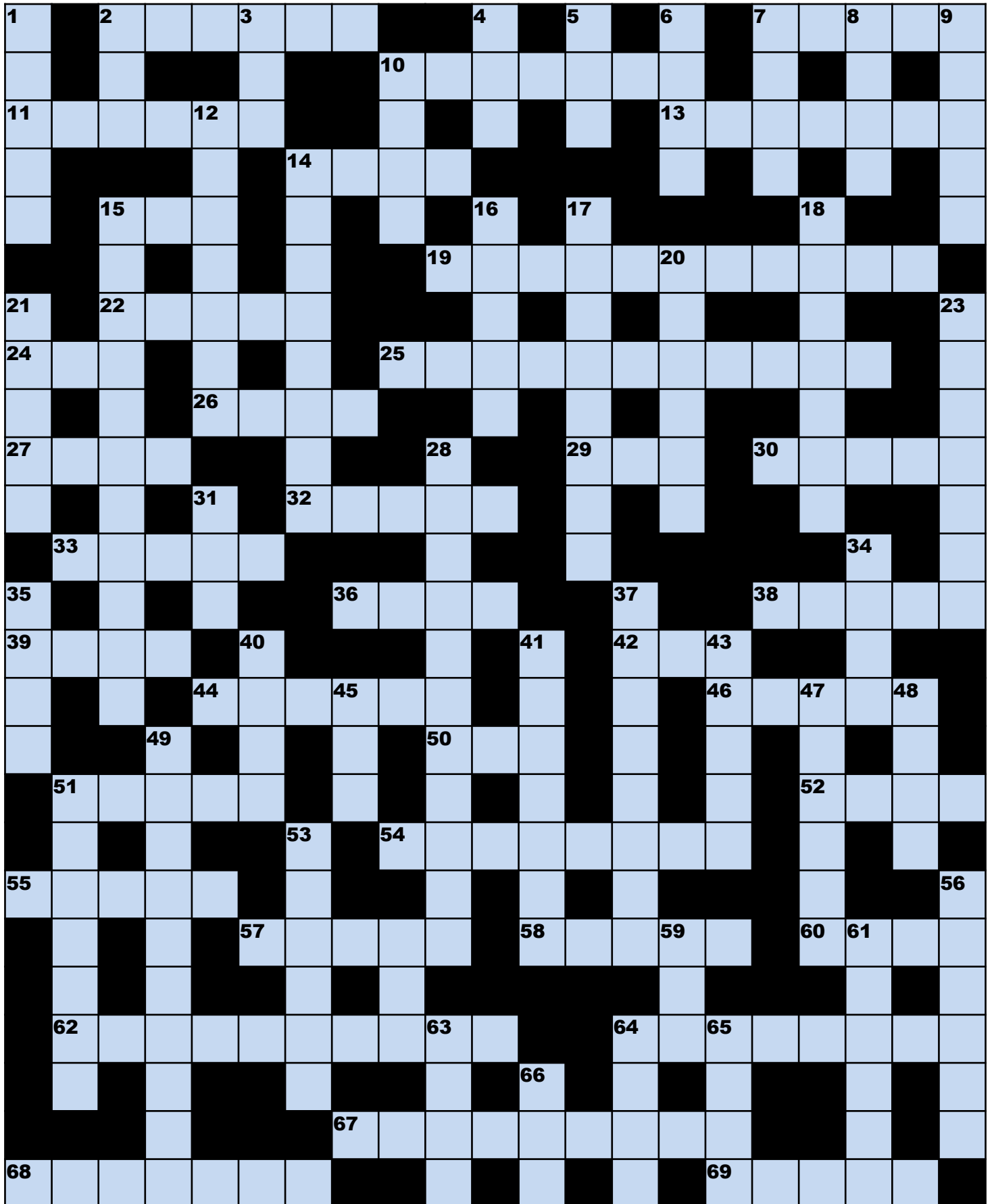
CRISS-CROSS: Fit each word into their proper place in the Framework.



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| BOX | ODDS | BARON | STONE | TINGED | | | |
| OAK | POST | COMIC | CHISEL | ERRATIC | PASSAGE | TROUSERS | COMMONPLACE |
| DASH | PREY | FATES | LINTEL | FANCIES | WHEREAS | ASTUTENESS | COUNTENANCE |
| DEEP | SICK | GUARD | MEDDLE | INVALID | DISTRICT | CONVICTION | PROSTRATION |
| JOVE | SLIP | HULLO | PLATED | LANDING | DRESSING | FORMIDABLE | SUPPOSITION |
| LEVY | AFOOT | PAINS | ROBBER | MAGNATE | FEROCITY | INFERENCES | UNUTTERABLE |

Reigate Squire (Puzzle) (Puzzle #6)

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



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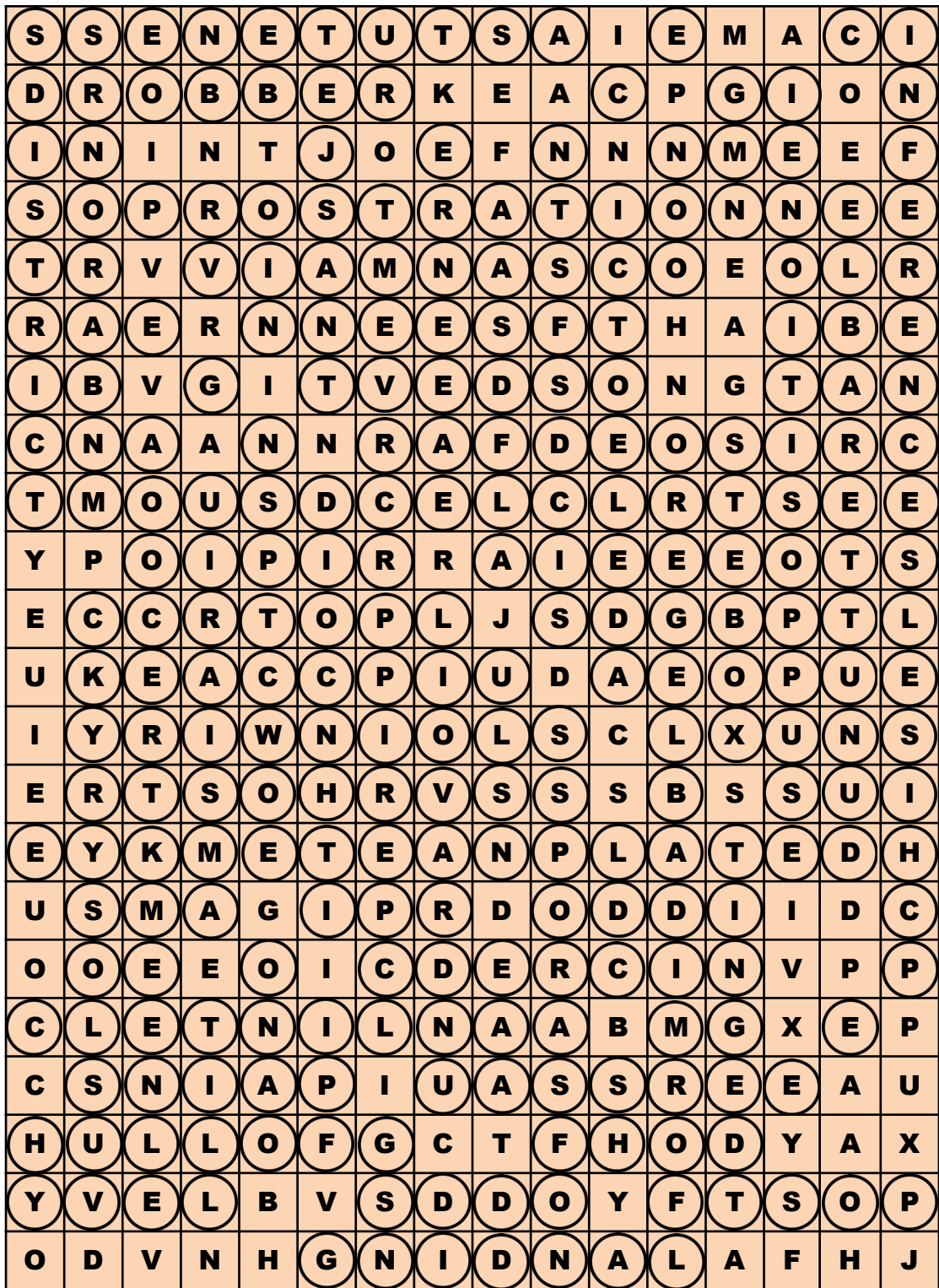
Across

2. Horizontal crosspiece over a door or window
7. Greeting
10. Hallway
11. Interfere in or busy oneself unduly with something
13. Version different in some respect
14. Ankle - _____
15. Transgression
19. _____ - room; room with no particular function
22. Extreme efforts
24. Small bite or drink
25. Person's face or facial expression
26. Pace of walking or running
27. Young lady
29. Up until the present time
30. Short wooden or wax match
32. State of caution, vigilance, or preparedness
33. _____ - flagged; floor made from flat slabs
36. Mail
38. Faded; lessened
39. Beat with a stick or whip
42. Significant period of time
44. Burglar
46. Three goddesses who presided over the life of humans
50. Atmosphere
51. Entire; total
52. Small cut
54. Area of a county
55. Throw; hurl
57. Member of the lowest order of the British nobility
58. Underground vault used as a burial place
60. Small quantity of a substance, especially a liquid
62. Shrewdness; discernment
64. Pants
67. Adolescence
68. Powerful or influential person
69. Very small amount

Down

1. Amusing; humorous
2. Covering; top
3. Bind something
4. Inquire
5. _____ - lined
6. Impose on
7. Listen
8. Someone who tells untruths
9. Out of the ordinary
10. Person easily taken advantage of or injured
12. Level area at the top of a staircase
14. _____ - room; room off the bedroom where clothes are kept
15. Uncertain belief
16. Prevailing fashion or style at a particular time
17. Precious stone of a violet or purple quartz
18. Ideas; notions
20. _____ - seven very fine emeralds
21. A corner or slope
23. Person made weak or disabled by injury
28. Lying stretched out on the ground
31. Termination
34. Ante - _____
35. From a distance
37. Savagery; brutality
40. By _____; exclamation
41. Not even or regular in pattern or movement
43. In preparation or progress
45. Strong - _____
47. Coloured slightly
48. _____ - room
49. Firmly held belief or opinion
51. In contrast or comparison with the fact that
53. _____ - candlesticks; candlesticks coated with silver
56. Long-bladed tool struck with a hammer to cut through hard materials
59. By means of
61. Inflict harm in return for a wrong
63. Mistake; error
64. Slow run
65. _____ and ends
66. Small commotion

Reigate Squire (Puzzle) (Puzzle #4)



I MAKE A POINT OF NEVER
 HAVING ANY PREJUDICES

Reigate Squire (Puzzle) (Puzzle #5)

