



The Return of Sherlock Holmes

Adventure XXIX – The Adventure of the Norwood Builder

Anerley Arms	Norwood hotel where John McFarlane spent the night before coming to 221b asking for assistance
Blackheath	Pleasant residential district of Lewisham, lying to the north of Lee; John Hector McFarlane lived at Blackheath with his parents
City, The	(City of London); commercial center of the Metropolis, forming the nucleus of the East End; legally the City is a separate municipality; John Hector McFarlane's office was there
Cornelius	(Jonas Oldacre) Alias used by Oldacre to transfer money in an attempt to swindle his creditors; large cheques were issued to Cornelius from Oldacre's account
<i>Daily Telegraph</i>	London newspaper, begun in 1855, published in the mornings; carried accounts of Jonas Oldacre's apparent murder
Deep Dene House	Norwood residence of Jonas Oldacre; <i>the Daily Telegraph</i> reported it located at the Sydenham end of the road of that name, in Brixton
E.C.	(East Central) Designation given to the London postal district which embraces the City
Freemasonry	Name commonly give to a secret fraternal organization of ancient origin, called themselves Free and Accepted Masons; John Hector McFarlane
Friesland	Watson writes that shocking affair of the Dutch steamship <i>Friesland</i> nearly cost him and Holmes their lives
Graham & McFarlane	Law firm of which John Hector McFarlane was a junior partner

Gresham Buildings	(Gresham House, Gresham Chambers) Large office block in the City; the firm of Graham & McFarlane was there
Holmes, Sherlock	The world's first and only consulting detective; born in approximately 1854; ancestors were country squires; Watson described Holmes as "bohemian" in his habits and lifestyle; said to have a "cat-like" love of personal cleanliness, at the same time Holmes is an eccentric with no regard for contemporary standards of tidiness or good order.
Hyams	Tailor of Jonas Oldacre, which was stamped on the buttons of the garments found in the fire at Deep Dene House; the police took this as evidence the unfortunate body in the fire had been Oldacre
Kensington	Western metropolitan borough of London, once an exclusive suburb inhabited by members of court; a young doctor, named Verner, had purchased Watson's small Kensington practice
Lestrade, G.	Inspector at Scotland Yard; Holmes described him as lacking in imagination
Lestrade, G.	Inspector at Scotland Yard; he was assigned to investigate the death of Jonas Oldacre, but did not recognize the significance of the thumbprint
Lexington, Mrs.	Housekeeper of Jonas Oldacre, who conspired with her master to incriminate John Hector McFarlane, however she did draw the night constable's attention to the thumbprint
London	Largest city in the world during the Victorian period, capital of England and the British Empire, located in the south-eastern part of England on the River Thames; extended into the counties of Surrey, Ken, Middlesex, and Essex; Holmes lamented "London has become a singularly uninterestingly city since the death of the late lamented Professor Moriarty"
London Bridge Station	Railway station in Bermondsey, the main terminus of the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway; John McFarlane took a train from Norwood to London Bridge Station from which he was followed by the police to Baker Street
McFarlane	Man who wooed the former fiancé of Jonas Oldacre and ultimately married her

McFarlane, John Hector	Solicitor, who resided at Torrington Lodge, was implicated in Jonas Oldacre's murder on the basis of evidence falsified by Oldacre himself in an effort to revenge himself upon the young man's parents; Holmes deduced McFarlane was a bachelor, solicitor, Freemason, and asthmatic
McFarlane, Mrs.	Mother of the unhappy John Hector McFarlane, who was arrested for the murder of Jonas Oldacre; Mrs. McFarlane knew Oldacre in the past, for he was an old suitor of hers; she broke off the engagement once she found Oldacre's cruelty
Murillo, Don Juan	For many years, the dictator of the Central American country of San Pedro, known as the Tiger of San Pedro for his cruelty, until he was deposed and fled to Europe; Watson recalled the case of the papers of ex-President Murillo
Norwood	District lying partly in Surrey and partly in the London borough of Lambeth; Jonas Oldacre lived in Lower Norwood
Oldacre, Jonas	Successful builder, who lived at Deep Dene House in Lower Norwood, who was rejected as a husband by the future Mrs. McFarlane; years later, his finances ruined, he falsified evidence of his own murder to frame John Hector McFarlane as revenge upon John's mother
Stevens, Bert	Terrible murderer with whom Holmes and Watson were concerned in 1887; Stevens had actually asked Holmes to get off on a charge of murder
Sydenham	Large residential district in the south of London; Jonas Oldacre lived at Deep Dene House, in Sydenham
Sydenham Road	Thoroughfare of south London; Deep Dene House, the residence of Jonas Oldacre was at the end of Sydenham Road
Torrington Lodge	Blackheath residence of John Hector McFarlane, who was accused and arrested for the murder of Jonas Oldacre
Verner	London physician and distant relative to Holmes who bought Watson's Kensington practice with money provided by the detective

Watson, John H.	Friend and biographer of Sherlock Holmes, it appears he was borne in the early 1850s; took his Degree of Doctor in Medicine in 1878; served as a staff surgeon at St. Bartholomew's Hospital; while serving in the Army Medical Department, he was severely wounded in the Battle of Maiwand in Afghanistan; his wound and general impairment of health earned him a retirement and wound pension
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