

Adventures of Sherlock Holmes.
ADVENTURE IV.—THE BOSCOMBE VALLEY MYSTERY.
By A. CONAN DOYLE.

ME were seated at breakfast one morning, my wife and I, when the maid brought in a telegram. It was from Sherlock Holmes, and ran in this way: "Have you a couple of days to spare? Have just been wired for from the West of England in connection with Boscombe Valley tragedy. Shall be glad if you will come with me. Air and scenery perfect. Leave Paddington by the 11.45."

"What do you say, dear?" said my wife, looking across at me. "Will you go?"

"I really don't know what to say. I have a fairly long list at present."

"Oh, Alexander would do your work for you. You have been looking a little pale lately. I think that the change would do you good, and you are always so interested in Mr. Sherlock Holmes' cases."

"I should be ungrateful if I were not, seeing what I gained through one of them," I answered. "But if I am to go I must pack at once, for I have only half an hour."

My experience of camp life in Afghanistan had at least had the effect of making me a prompt and ready traveller. My wants were few and simple, so that in less than the time stated I was in a cab with my valise, rattling away to Paddington Station. Sherlock Holmes was pacing up and down the platform, his tall gaunt figure made even gaunter and taller by his long grey travelling cloak, and close-fitting cloth cap.

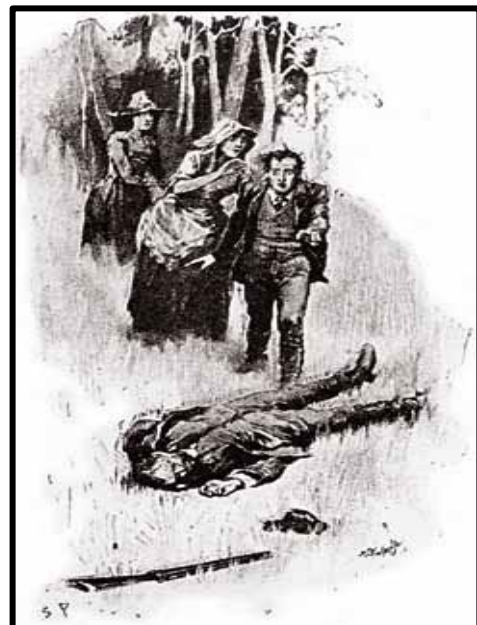
"It is really very good of you to come, Watson," said he. "It makes a considerable difference to me, having someone with me on whom I can thoroughly rely. Local aid is always either worthless or else biased. If you will keep the two corner seats I shall get the tickets."

"We had the carriage to ourselves save for an immense litter of papers which Holmes had brought with him. Among these he rummaged and read, with intervals of note-taking and of meditation, until we were past Reading. Then he suddenly rolled them all into a gigantic ball, and tossed them up on to the rack.

"Have you heard anything of the case?" he asked.

"Not a word. I have not seen a paper for some days."

"The London press has not had very full accounts. I have just been looking through all the recent papers in order to master the particulars. It seems, from what I gather, to be one of those simple cases which are so extremely difficult."



SHERLOCK HOLMES CANONPUZZLES

Word Search, Criss Cross & Crossword Puzzle

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The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes

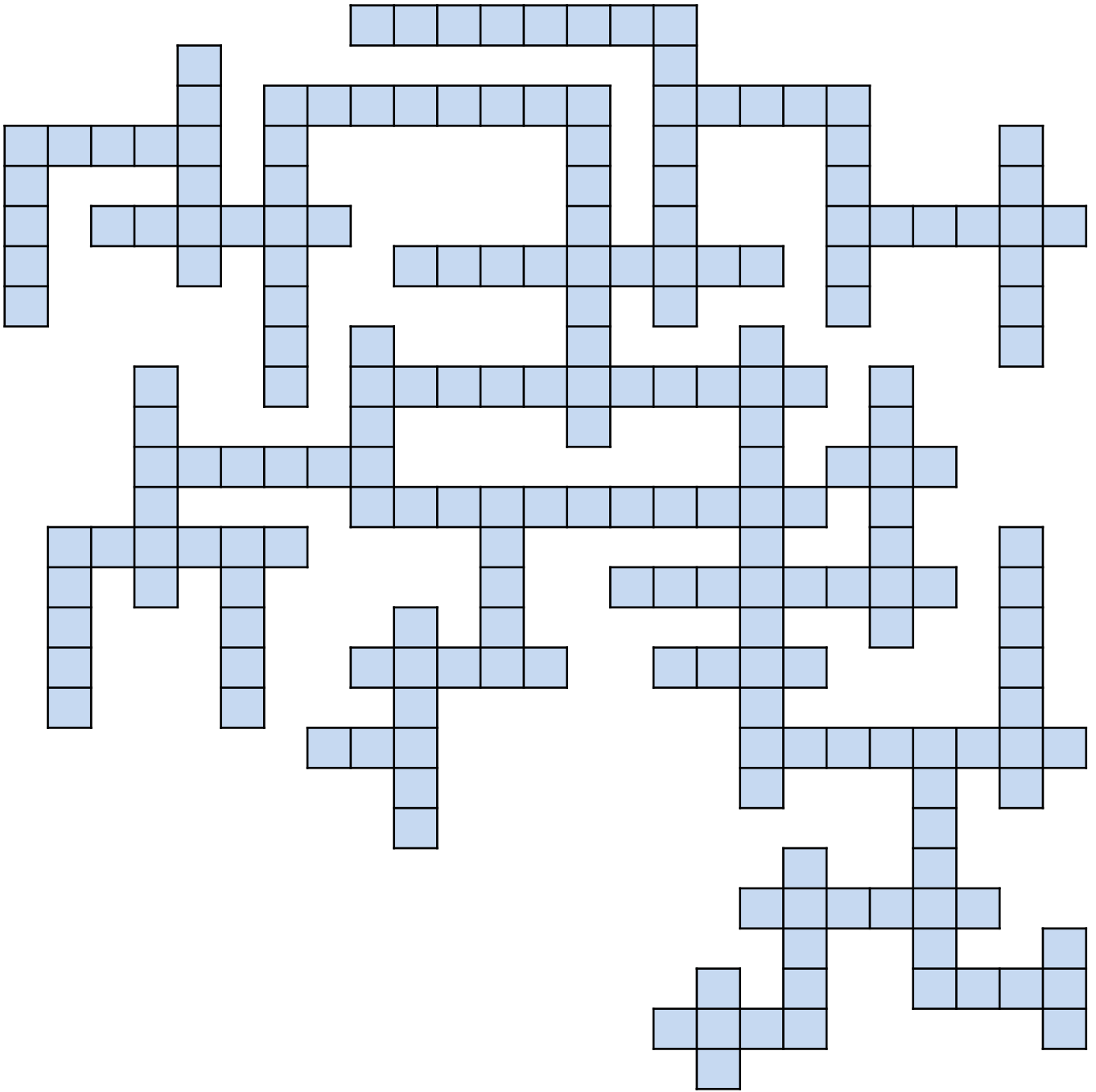
The Boscombe Valley **Mystery -- Part 1**

**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**

Boscombe Valley Mystery (Puzzle #2)

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



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Boscombe Valley Mystery (Puzzle #3)

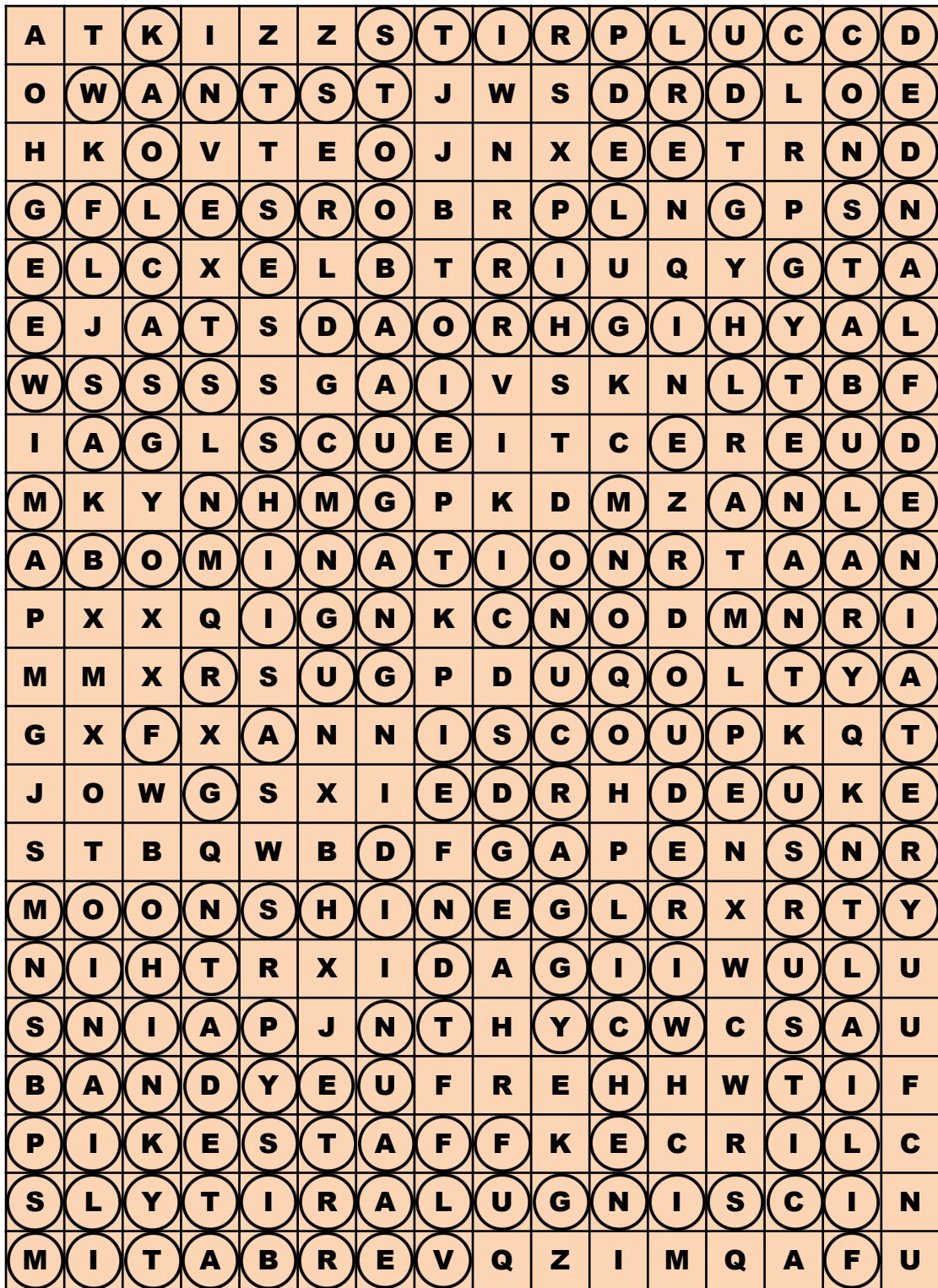
Across

2. Person who is responsible for a crime or other misdeed
6. Perspiration
9. Very tiny
10. Wonder; reverence
11. _____ - jacket
12. Man employed to take care of horses
13. Judicial inquiry held before a jury
15. Rise or wake from sleep
18. Shapes that are round and flat in appearance
19. Is not
21. Not well
23. In addition to
24. Extremely tired; exhausted
26. Emaciated
27. Gain control of; overcome
31. Kept someone engaged in one's service
33. Kept something at the same level or rate
34. Organ for hearing
36. Main road
37. Destroy
40. Butt - _____; thicker part of something, usually a weapon
41. Concealed; covered the face
42. Careful efforts; great care or trouble
46. Short, simple song
48. Express disapproval or disappointment
50. Keyboard instrument
54. Small lodging for travelers
56. Rugged and uneven
57. Loose coat worn over outer garments
58. Proceed without effort to achieve something
59. Pleasant to look at
60. Barometer
62. Decreasing in vigor or power
65. Therapeutic resort
67. Long rod with a spike to keep the user from slipping
69. Competitor; opponent
70. Plead; ask for something to happen
72. Too weak to justify an effect
73. Annum
74. Nonsense
75. Cunning; wily

Down

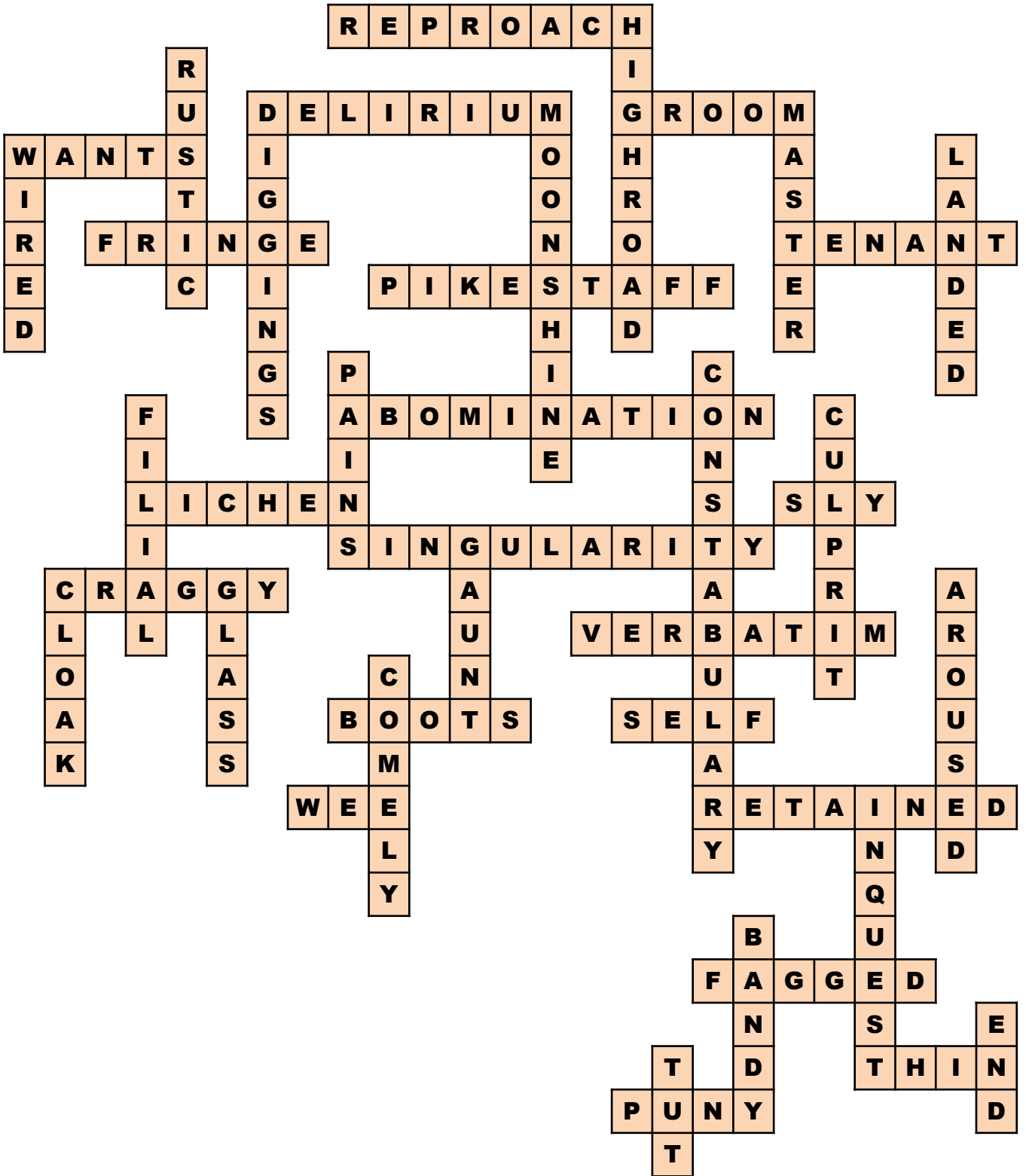
1. Acutely disturbed state of mind that occurs in fever and other disorders
3. Not based on what is morally right and fair
4. Gap between hills or mountains
5. Small piece used for identification
7. Telegrammed
8. Excited or provoked a feeling or response
9. Desires for something
14. _____ - evident; not needing to be explained
16. Pastoral; bucolic
17. Fungus that grows on rocks or stones
20. Corresponding word for word
22. Owning much property, especially through inheritance
25. Relating to the Celtic language of Scotland
28. Exclamation of surprise
29. Person who occupies land rented from a landlord
30. Person's ruin or downfall
32. Tobacco residue
33. Notice or pay careful attention to
35. Very unpleasant
38. Guide someone to a specific location
39. Person of the same age, status, or ability
43. Mines
44. Something that is beyond what is ordinary
45. Armed police force
47. White or gray powder
49. Something that causes disgust
50. Swine
51. Used to refer to one or some of a thing
52. Shooting - _____; worn for hunting
53. Bend or hang downward limply
55. Border or outer edge of an area
61. Fly or rise high in the air
63. Long-shafted weapon with a pointed tip
64. Exclamation of disapproval or annoyance
66. Small and weak
68. Limbless, cold-blooded vertebrate animal
71. Light brownish colour

Boscombe Valley Mystery (Puzzle #1)



C I R C U M S T A N T I A L E V I D E N C E
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Boscombe Valley Mystery (Puzzle #2)



Boscombe Valley Mystery (Puzzle #3)

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