



The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes

Adventure XI -- The Adventure of the Engineer's Thumb

Compilation of quizzes from the Diogenes Club and the Crew of the Barque Lone Star

1.	This was one of two cases that Dr. Watson introduced to Holmes. What was the other case?	
2.	In what year did the adventure take place?	
3.	In what engineering discipline did Victor Hatherley specialize?	
4.	Of what did Holmes' pre-breakfast pipe consist?	
5.	During the past two years, what were Mr. Hatherley's gross takings?	
6.	Who acquired the services of Mr. Hatherley?	
7.	To what station does Mr. Hatherley travel to meet his client?	
8.	What was the amount of the consulting fee?	
9.	Name the person whose house was burnt down?	
10.	What Scotland Yard detective was assigned to the case?	
11.	Who was in political power in Germany at the time of the adventure?	
12.	In the context of the adventure, what is a "shake down?"	
13.	The hydraulic press was invented in 1796 by what person?	
14.	Hatherley was told that the hydraulic press that he was hired to repair was used to compress _____?	
15.	How did Holmes deduce that the 12 mile trip from the station to the house was a ruse?	
16.	Who helps Hatherley escape?	
17.	What was Stark making with the hydraulic press?	

18.	"_____, indirectly it may be of value, you know; you have only to put it into words to gain the reputation of being excellent company for the remainder of your existence."	
19.	What was Mr. Ferguson's position?	
20.	From where does Watson get many of his patients (officials from where)?	
21.	"And off he went, this trusty tout, without even giving me time to thank him." What does the term tout refer to?	
22.	What term does Watson use to describe Holmes' habits?	
23.	How does Hatherley escape being crushed?	
24.	What happens after Hatherley loses his thumb?	
25.	What happened to Stark's house?	

Answers		
1.	This was one of two cases that Dr. Watson introduced to Holmes. What was the other case?	Colonel Warburton's madness
2.	In what year did the adventure take place?	1889
3.	In what engineering discipline did Victor Hatherley specialize?	hydraulic
4.	Of what did Holmes' pre-breakfast pipe consist?	Plugs and dottles
5.	During the past two years, what were Mr. Hatherley's gross takings?	Twenty seven pounds ten
6.	Who acquired the services of Mr. Hatherley?	Colonel Lysander Stark
7.	To what station does Mr. Hatherley travel to meet his client?	Eyford station in Berkshire
8.	What was the amount of the consulting fee?	Fifty guinea
9.	Name the person whose house was burnt down?	Dr. Becher
10.	What Scotland Yard detective was assigned to the case?	Bradstreet
11.	Who was in political power in Germany at the time of the adventure?	William II – Kaiser Wilhelm
12.	In the context of the adventure, what is a "shake down?"	An improvised bed (as one made up on the floor)
13.	The hydraulic press was invented in 1796 by what person?	Joseph Bramah of Yorkshire
14.	Hatherley was told that the hydraulic press that he was hired to repair was used to compress _____?	Fuller's Earth
15.	How did Holmes deduce that the 12 mile trip from the station to the house was a ruse?	The freshness of the horse
16.	Who helps Hatherley escape?	Becher (Ferguson) and Elise
17.	What was Stark making with the hydraulic press?	Half-crowns
18.	"_____, indirectly it may be of value, you know; you have only to put it into words to gain the reputation of being excellent company for the remainder of your existence."	Experience
19.	What was Mr. Ferguson's position?	Secretary & manager to Stark
20.	From where does Watson get many of his patients (officials from where)?	Paddington Station
21.	"And off he went, this trusty tout, without even giving me time to thank him." What does the term tout refer to?	A person who solicits business, employment, support, or the like
22.	What term does Watson use to describe Holmes' habits?	Bohemian
23.	How does Hatherley escape being crushed?	He squeezes between two boards

24.	What happens after Hatherley loses his thumb?	He passes out
25.	What happened to Stark's house?	It burns down, probably from the knocked over lamp

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