



Adventure XLVIII -- The Valley of Fear

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

1. What is the name of the man from Chicago?
2. Who was the bodymaster of Lodge 29 in Chicago?
3. What is the official organization (hint: not the Scowrers) that the man from Chicago has in common with his new acquaintances?
4. Who has a house on Sheridan Street, Vermissa?
5. Who is the bodymaster of the Vermissa Lodge?
6. Who was the woman over whom two men almost came to blows?
7. With whom did the man from Chicago almost come to blows over a woman?
8. What was the special body that was raised by the railways and colliery owners to supplement the efforts of the ordinary civil police?
9. What incident caused the man from Chicago to leave Chicago?
10. Complete the bonafides:
 - a. Dark nights are unpleasant
 - b. Yes, for strangers to travel
 - c. The clouds are heavy
 - d. _____
11. The Scowrers are a thinly disguised version of what real organization?
12. The organization that the man from Chicago was a member of is a thinly disguised version of what fraternal organization of Irish Catholics dating back to 1641?
13. Where did Mr. Douglas make his money?
14. According to the butler, why did Mr. Douglas have the drawbridge pulled up every night?
15. What is the name of the housekeeper?
16. How did Mr. Douglas' first wife die?
17. Who was the best man at Mr. Douglas' second marriage?
18. What were the words that attracted the attention of Mrs. Douglas to the hidden fears of Mr. Douglas?
19. How did blood get on the sill?
20. Who does Holmes believe are in conspiracy?

21. Other than the wedding ring, what is missing from the scene that Holmes believes is important?
22. Where had Hargrave taken a room?
23. In the late 1860s and the early 1870s, what was the second largest city in the United States?
24. What is genius loci?
25. From what book does Holmes derive the saying “possess our souls in patience?”
26. Translate “peine forte et dure.”
27. What gave impetus to Jack McMurdo’s popularity among his fellows on the very night he joined the lodge?
28. Who were the two good men sent over by Evans Pott to act in the neighborhood?
29. Who moved himself and his family out of his house the day before it was blown up?
30. What is Mrs. Douglas’ first name?
31. Who is Pinkerton’s best man?
32. How many men were in the room to set the trap for Pinkerton’s best man?
33. What make of revolver did McMurdo carry?
34. Who gave the roar of a wounded bear?
35. With whom did McMurdo leave the Valley of Fear?
36. Who in England was tasked with the extinction of Jack Douglas?
37. With what historical event are Danton and Robespierre associated?
38. Who wrote “The Molly Maguires and the Detectives” in 1877?
39. In what other adventure was the Pinkerton Agency named?
40. What is the name of the artist who painted the portrait hanging in Professor Moriarty’s study?
41. In what state did Douglas and Barker have their successful mining venture?
42. What was Porlock’s first name?
43. Which one of the following was NOT one of the rings that Jack Douglas wore on his left hand: wedding ring, silver Masonic ring, rough nugget ring, twisted snake?
44. Which Scotland Yard Inspector helps Holmes in this case?
45. Which Sussex Police chief asked for assistance from Scotland Yard?
46. What did Douglas have on his jaw at the time of death?
47. What was found next to Douglas’ body?
48. “Mediocrity knows nothing higher than itself; but _____ instantly recognizes genius.”
49. What mark was on the murdered man’s arm?
50. What name did Douglas while delirious during a hunting accident?

51. What message does Holmes send to Barker concerning the moat?
52. Who resembles the description the hotel gave of Mr. Hargrave, the owner of the bicycle?
53. Which servant allows Holmes to spend time in the study, contemplating the case?
54. What is found in the bundle thrown in the moat?
55. What does Holmes deduce that V.V. stands for?
56. According to Holmes, what happens to the sound of a gun if it is fired at a very close range?
57. What time do the servants usually retire for the evening?
58. Who did Holmes purchase the historical tract about the manor from?
59. "The temptation to form premature theories upon insufficient data is the _____ of our profession."
60. Who does Holmes believe is responsible for the killing of Mr. Douglas at the end of the novel?
61. Menzies rushed the murderers with a spanner. What is a spanner?
62. What was the name of the mine which Dunn managed?
63. What was the name of the ritual to end feuds within the union – included drinking?
64. What job did McMurdo find after settling in the valley?
65. What talent did McMurdo have that McGinty thought may be useful?
66. Why did McMurdo say was his reason for leaving Chicago?
67. What crime did Captain Marvin arrest McMurdo for?
68. How did Douglas meet his end?

Quiz Answers

1. John McMurdo
2. James H. Scott
3. Ancient Order of Freeman
4. Jacob Shafter
5. Boss Jack McGinty
6. Miss Ettie Shafter
7. Teddy Baldwin
8. Coal and Iron Police
9. The shooting of Jonas Pinto
10. Yes, a storm is approaching
11. Molly Maguires
12. The Ancient Order of Hibernians
13. America
14. Because it was the ancient custom of the old house
15. Mrs. Allen
16. Typhoid
17. Mr. Cecil Barker
18. The Valley of Fear
19. With a slipper
20. Barker and Mrs. Douglas
21. Dumb-bell
22. Eagle Commercial
23. Chicago
24. Spirit of this place
25. Luke 21:19
26. Intense and severe punishment
27. His arrest and acquittal
28. Lawler and Andrews
29. Ivy
30. Chester Wilcox
31. Birdy Edwards
32. Seven
33. Smith & Wesson
34. Boss McGinty
35. Ettie Shafter
36. Moriarty
37. George-Jaques Danton and Maximilien Robespierre are associated with the French Revolution
38. Allan Pinkerton
39. The Red Circle
40. Jean Baptiste Greuze
41. California
42. Fred
43. Silver Masonic ring
44. Inspector McDonald
45. Mason White
46. A piece of plaster
47. A card with V-V 341 printed on it
48. Talent
49. A triangle inside a circle
50. McGinty
51. Would he go to the police with information
52. Douglas
53. Ames
54. The murder weapon, along with a man's suit
55. Vermissa Valley
56. The sound is muffled
57. 10:30 – 11:00 PM
58. The local tobacconist
59. bane
60. Professor Moriarty
61. Wrench
62. Crow Hill
63. The quarreling toast
64. He was a bookkeeper
65. McMurdo was a counterfeiter
66. McMurdo killed a man
67. The beating of James Stanger
68. He fell overboard off a ship

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