

THE GREEK INTERPRETERS

Fall Meeting: October 2nd, 2012, Country Club of Lansing

The Engineer's Thumb

An Acrostic prepared by The Chemist



The first letter of each correct answer, read vertically, will form a phrase.

1. What the engineer saw between two boards in the press chamber: _____ (2 wrd, 6, 5 ltrs)
2. Like Oliver Twist, the engineer was one: _____ (1 wrd, 6 ltrs)
3. The damp broke through the walls in green: _____ (2 wrd, 9, 8 ltrs)
4. The first train station on the way to the Stark's house: _____ (1 wrd, 7 ltrs)
5. The final train station near the house was at: _____ (1 wrd, 6 ltrs)
6. The radius in miles drawn on the map by inspector Bradstreet (in Roman Numerals): _____ (1 symbol)
7. The train station close to Watson's practice. (not a bear): _____ (1 wrd, 10 ltrs).
8. The pressure exerted by the hydraulic press: _____ (1 wrd, 8 ltrs)
9. Holmes ordered a breakfast of eggs and: _____ (1 wrd, 7 ltrs)
10. Regarding secrecy, the engineer obeyed Stark's: _____ (1 wrd, 10 ltrs)
11. In his first meeting with the engineer, Stark was worried about: _____ (1 wrd, 13 ltrs)
12. According to Watson, where this story has been told more than once: _____ (1 wrd, 10 ltrs)
13. Warburton and Stark had this rank in common: _____ (1 wrd, 7 ltrs)
14. Normally unhealthy, Stark's was his natural habit. _____ (1 wrd, 10 ltrs)
15. The engineer's surname: _____ (1 wrd, 9 ltrs)
16. Where Holmes sat while questioning the engineer (a big one): _____ (1 wrd, 8 ltrs)

17. In which direction from the village station did the inspector think the house lay? _____ (1 wrd, 5 ltrs)
 18. In which county does the village lie? _____ (1 wrd, 9 ltrs)
 19. The engineer regarded the fuller's-earth story as: _____ (1 wrd, 9 ltrs)
 20. In which direction from the village station did the engineer think the house lay? _____ (1 wrd, 4 ltrs)
 21. In which direction from the village station did Watson think the house lay? _____ (1 wrd, 5 ltrs)
 22. One of the metals stored in an out-house: _____ (1 wrd, 6 ltrs)
 23. What Holmes asserts started the fire that destroyed the house: _____ (2 wrd, 3, 4 ltrs)
 24. The color of the horse pulling Stark's carriage: _____ (1 wrd, 8 ltrs)
 25. How often Watson persuaded Holmes to visit him: _____ (1 wrd, 12 ltrs)
 - 26 This adventure takes place not long after Watson's: _____ (1 wrd, 8 ltrs)
 27. Where Holmes kept the plugs of his previous day pipe smokes: _____ (1 wrd, 11 ltrs)
 28. The immense appearance of the smoke cloud from the burning house: _____ (2 wrd, 7 ltrs each)
 29. The engineer's business hours began at: _____ (1 wrd, 4 ltrs)
 30. Stark was willing to pay the engineer fifty guineas for his: _____ (1 wrd, 7 ltrs)
 31. The old house had _____ winding staircases. (1 wrd, 6 ltrs).
 32. What Holmes said the engineer had gained from his adventure: _____ (1 wrd, 10 ltrs)
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1. **yellow light**
2. **orphan**
3. **unhealthy blotches**
4. **Reading**
5. **Eyford**
6. **X**
7. **Paddington**
8. **enormous**
9. **rashers**
10. **injunction**
11. **eavesdroppers**
12. **newspapers**
13. **Colonel**
14. **emaciation**
15. **Hatherley**
16. **armchair**
17. **south**
18. **Berkshire**
19. **elaborate**
20. **east**
21. **north**

22. **nickel**
23. **oil lamp**
24. **chestnut**
25. **occasionally**
26. **marriage**
27. **mantelpiece**
28. **ostrich feather**
29. **nine**
30. **opinion**
31. **narrow**
32. **experience**

your experience has been no common one

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