



# The Pleasant Places of Florida\*

A Corresponding Scion of  
The Baker Street Irregulars

[\* - Suggested in FIVE.]

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**FALL GATHERING REPORT:** Frank Smith hosted a grand affair at the Stetson Law School. Thirty attended, including new Ppoffers Clyde Ellis & Bob Zuczek, both from Gainesville. Quiz prize winners were: Norman Tanguay, John Fought, Tom Takach & Chuck Amick. Mike Carroll gave a fine tribute to the late John Bennett Shaw.

**PPoff LOSES A FRIEND** - We were all saddened to learn that John Bennett Shaw died October 3rd. He amassed the world's largest collection of Sherlockiana (which now resides at Univ. of Minnesota). He led our S.H. Workshop in '80, and was unstinting in giving of his time, expertise and encouragement to Sherlockians the world over. We'll miss our 'big brother' very much indeed.

**P.P. of F. Receives Official Recognition!** We've received from the B.S.I. a Wiggins-signed Certificate recognizing the P.P. of F as a bona fide Scion of The Baker Street Irregulars.

**BEN WOOD TO MISS BSI WEEKEND.** For the first time in 13 years, the Recorder will not be attending the annual BSI festivities in NYC this January. "I just cannot afford it this year," explained the BSI Chaplain, "but I've already started to save up for '96."

**"MYCROFT'S PUZZLE BOOK"** is 'hot off the press'! A copious cache of conundrums and cerebral challenges. Order Form enclosed. All proceeds benefit the P.P. of F.

### A 3-M MENTAL MYSTERY

Mr. Sherlock Holmes spotted three of his arch-enemies at the Old Bailey. He walked up to them and asked Moriarty if he always lies. The Professor mumbled an inaudible response. Moran said, "Old Moriarty said he never lies, and he never does. I don't either." Milverton then added, "Moran always lies. I never do!"

Two of these nefarious characters are not liars. Which one of them is the liar? Sherlock Holmes figured it out in a trice. Can you?

[Answer available from the Recorder.]

Holmes Now Facing Legal Action (NOW WHAT?)  
Watson still (RIGHT ON!)  
a major player → Moriarty in 'Paris'  
("se garder de") ("You've got that right, Pilgrim!")

Holmes Is Impressive

Wiggins? ("He's the leader of the gang.")

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## Philatelic Philandering

... or Stamping around with  
SHERLOCK HOLMES

Several philatelic items of S'ian interest this month: Fig.A is a post-mark honoring "the Woman"; Fig.B shows an old Brazilian stamp commemorating the 60 Sherlockian Adventures of the Holmesian Canon; and Fig.C depicts a "mystery cancellation". Just hold it up to a mirror, and you'll see the initials of the Priory School headmaster quite clearly!

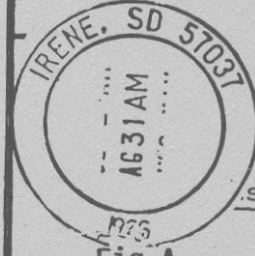


Fig.A



Fig.B



Fig.C

What is "H.T." for?



## From Mrs. Hudson's Kitchen

by JOAN WOOD

### DEVILED KIDNEYS

(Holmes & Watson enjoyed this tasty dish at Poldhu Cottage in Cornwall.)

- 3/4 lb. lamb kidneys
- 2 T. butter
- 1 cup fresh mushrooms, sliced
- 1 T. Worcestershire
- 1 t. dry mustard
- 2 T. catsup
- 1/2 cup whipping cream

Remove & discard cores from kidneys, and cut into bite-sized pieces.

Melt butter in sauce pan. Add kidneys and cook for 2 min., stirring. Then add mushrooms and cook for another 3 minutes, stirring. Add the remaining ingredients; mix well and heat without boiling.

Serve over rice or toast points. Garnish with chopped parsley.

Serves 2.

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