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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE SHERLOCK HOLMES SOCIETY OF LONDON

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By the time this reaches you, the production of Tim Kelly's THE HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES at the Little Theatre at Gateshead will be over. Has anyone any news of other Sherlockian stage productions, please?

Brian Longstaff is preparing an article on the Society for COMPUTER & VIDEO GAMES MAGAZINE and wishes to hear from members who have played Melbourne House's SHERLOCK computer game. If you have, please write to Brian at 13 Woodfarm Drive, Sheffield, South Yorkshire S6 5LW, telling him what you think of the game.

Gregg Gruwell tells me that Pinnacle Books of New York have published a new pastiche by Frank Thomas called SHERLOCK HOLMES & THE TREASURE TRAIN, and have reprinted Thomas's earlier pastiche SHERLOCK HOLMES & THE SACRED SWORD. (I've read the latter. For completist pastiche fans only is my verdict.) Also for any video fans who have the American VHS system (not compatible with ours) Kartes Video Communications Inc. of Indianapolis have released four Rathbone/Bruce titles: TERROR BY NIGHT, DRESSED TO KILL, SHERLOCK HOLMES & THE SECRET WEAPON and THE WOMAN IN GREEN. (Save your money, I suggest, and get your recorders going on Monday evenings now that BBC 2 is repeating the entire Rathbone/Bruce opus.)

A very popular GOH at the Society's Annual Dinner was the writer P.D. James. Catherine Cooke tells me that Miss James will be speaking on "Making Crime Pay" at Marylebone Library, Marylebone Road, London NW1, on Wednesday the 13th November at 6.30 pm. Seating is limited, so come early.

That's all the news. Here, as threatened, is some more of the list of editions of the Canon in print as of July 31st.

THE MEMOIRS OF SHERLOCK HOLMES: Murray/Cape £7.95; Longman Heritage of Literature £2.25; Ulverscroft Large Print £5.00

THE RETURN OF SHERLOCK HOLMES: Pan £1.50; Penguin £1.95; Longman Heritage of Literature £2.25; Ulverscroft Large Print £5.00

A SCANDAL IN BOHEMIA: Longman Structural Readers 95p

SELECTED ADVENTURES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES: Ulverscroft Large Print £5.00

SELECTED STORIES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES: Octopus £7.95

SHERLOCK HOLMES & THE DANCING MEN: Longman Structural Readers 60p

SHERLOCK HOLMES & THE JEWEL AND OTHER STORIES: Sangam Books £1.00

SHERLOCK HOLMES: COMPLETE LONG STORIES: Murray £8.95

SHERLOCK HOLMES: COMPLETE SHORT STORIES: Murray £8.95

SHERLOCK HOLMES MEETS THE SUSSEX VAMPIRE: Severn House £5.95

SHERLOCK HOLMES SHORT STORIES: Longman Simplified English Series £1.00

AAARGH! All the news indeed! There's a catalogue been sitting in front of me since I started typing this out, and I STILL managed to omit it. Never mind; here it comes. This is S.H.11, from Sylyian Hamilton of Parc, Caio, Llanwrda, Dyfed SA19 8PF. It's free to customers from SH10, but new customers please send £1.50. It's a must for collectors, full of good things.

The list continues next time.

