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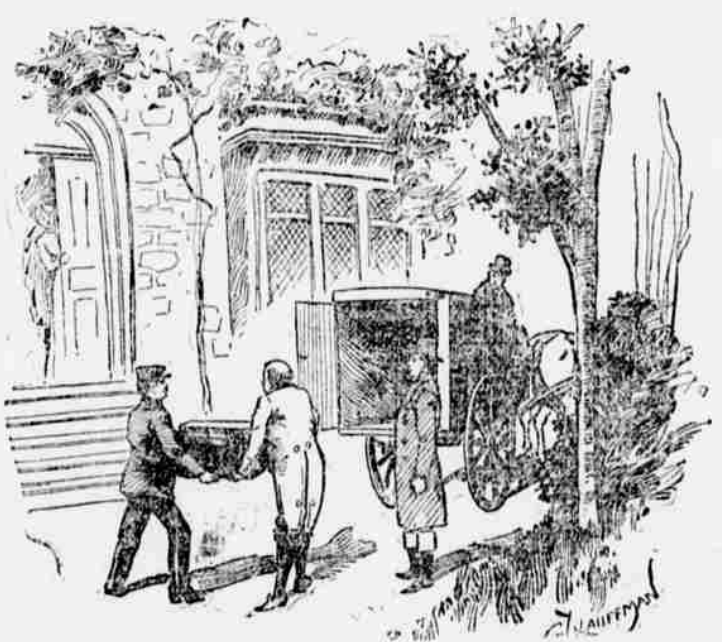
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RECOLLECTIONS OF CAPTAIN WILKIE By A. CONAN DOYLE.

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"We both lay still, though feeling pretty considerably small, as you may imagine. It's all right; I see you," he continued. "Why, I have been waiting behind that lilac bush every night for the last week, expecting to see you. I knew you couldn't resist going up that ladder, when you found the windows were to be closed for you—Joel Joel!"



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ting the colonel out of the way, so I wrote him a note purporting to come from Squire Brotherwick, who lived about ten miles away, and was not always on the best of terms with the master of Morley hall. I dressed myself up as a groom and delivered the note myself. It was to the effect that the squire thought he was able to lay his hands on the scoundrels who had escaped from the colonel a couple of years before, and that if the colonel would ride over they would have little difficulty in securing them. I was sure

time to see a business-like closed car drive up to the door. One of my pals while Jim, with an official-looking hat, was sitting very demurely on the box, sprang out and hustled into the hall. "Now, then," I heard him say, "look sharp! What's for the bank? Come on!" "Wait a minute, sir," said the butler. "Can't wait. There's a panic all over the country, and they are clamoring for us everywhere. Must drive on to Lord Blackbury's place, unless you are ready?" "Don't go, sir!" pleaded the butler.

added, stretching across. "No; I beg your pardon. Here it is in the corner," and with an affable smile, the ex-crackman stepped out, bowed, and disappeared among the crowd upon the platform. I lit another cigar, laughed as I thought of my late companion, and lifted up the Times, which he had left behind him. The bell had rung, the wheels were already revolving, when, to my astonishment, a palid face looked in at me through the window. It was so contorted and agitated that I hardly recognized the features which I had been gazing upon during the last couple of hours. "Here, take it," he said—"take it. It's hardly worth my while to rob you of seven pounds four shillings; but I couldn't resist once more trying my hand; and he flung something into the carriage and disappeared. It was my old leather purse, with my return ticket, and the whole of my traveling expenses. His newly awakened conscience had driven him to instant restitution. (The End.)

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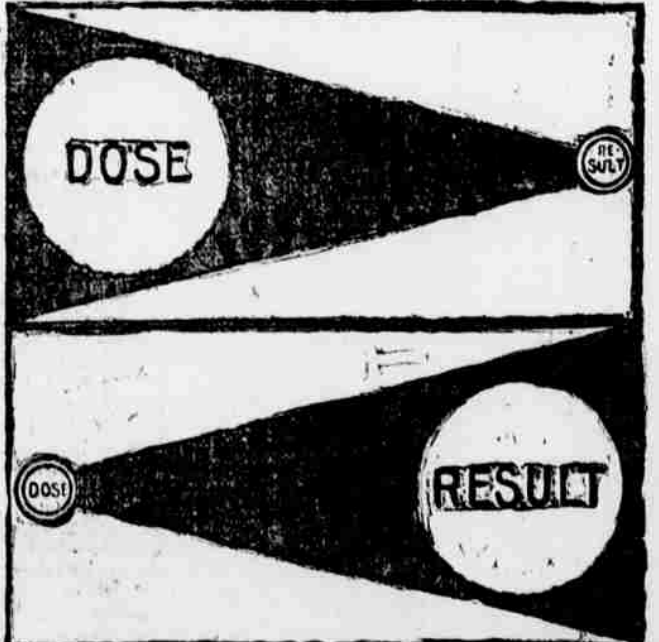
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