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SHERLOCK HOLMES

AND THE CASE OF THE HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES

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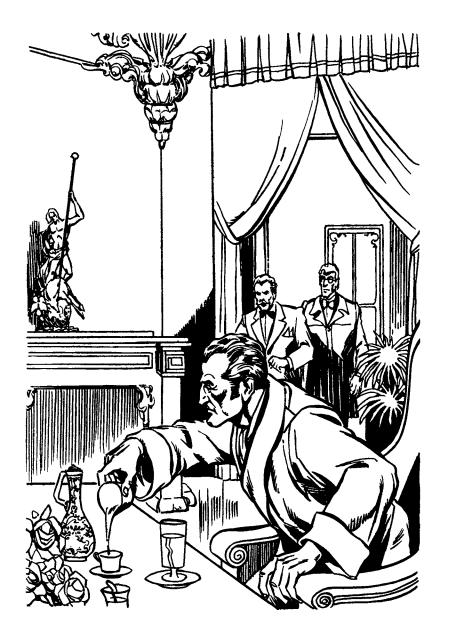
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Sherlock Holmes Has a Visitor.

CHAPTER 1

The Baskerville Family Legend

Mr. Sherlock Holmes was seated at his breakfast table with his back to the door when his friend, Dr. Watson, entered the room. With Watson was a tall, thin young man with a rather long nose.

"Good morning, Watson," said the famous detective without turning his head from his morning meal. "I see you have a visitor with you. Who is that tall, thin young man with a nose like a beak?"

"How did you know I had a visitor with me?" asked Watson in amazement. "I do believe you have eyes in back of your head."

Holmes laughed. "No, Watson, only a well polished silver coffeepot in front of me to serve as a mirror." Holmes turned and smiled at the young man. "And whom do I have the pleasure of greeting?" he asked.

"I am Dr. James Mortimer, Mr. Holmes. I've come to ask your help with a very unusual problem. It concerns the death of my good friend and patient, Sir Charles Baskerville."

Dr. Mortimer took a letter out of his pocket and explained, "This letter was given to me by Sir Charles just before his death three months ago. It was written by his great-great-grandfather and has been handed down in the family from father to son for one hundred fifty years.

"Sir Charles had no children, so his entire estate plus this letter now pass to his nephew, Sir Henry Baskerville, who has been



The Baskerville Letter