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Murphy Express His Opinion

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If we can not run to ery five minutes Every member I on the public p ted he would do benefit of the ci hat we have set il which has he

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In the Condemned Cell

I met him for ten minutes, and if I write about him now it is to opwrite about him now it is to oppose, in some degree, the theories of
Lombroso; to show, by a terrible example, that there is "a soul of
goodness in things evil," and that
the criminologists, who argue for
prolonged sentences for habitual
criminals on a basis of "moral lunacy," are not covering by their physical science the whole ground on ties of a human being may be tried.

am told, the doubtful honor of say-ing that I was the only man vho-had ever understood him or realized the ungovernable power of the forces which had compelled him to commit crime. There is nothing in the They had not, perhaps, the almost supernatural horror of the crimes of "Jack the Riper," who passed discovered and unseen like an invisible scourge of Satan. I doubt if to the cell occupied by Holmes. anything so fearful as that in its found in the history of crime, and I recall with a shudder a story told me at the time by Dr. Barnado of women of the streets coming quak-ing to his doors at midnight and begging for shelter and protection from the terror that walked in dark-

was a chemist, and after the manner of Thomas Griffiths Wainewright, he murdered for the sake of insurance money. Poison was his chief inent, but he had gas chambers, sealed iron trunks, and other means of death. His victims were women and children, and apparently his methods involved a pretence of love, methods involved a pretence of love, and therefore the deepest treachery. had apparently shut his heart against every human impulse. If the man ever lived who justified the doctrines of Garofalo and Lombroso it was Holmes, the murderer. Not even excepting Deemi in Australia, and Tiburiz in Italy, Holmes was probable the greatest murderer that ever lived. Whether his murders were due o pure ferocity and thirst for blood or to greed of gold, whether they were due to sheer brutal criminality or to intellectual calculation, is a nicety we need not discuss now.

trial when I visited America towards the end of 1895. The papers were full of the man's doings, and I cannot remember a case of crime in which the public feeling against the criminal was so bitter and intense. American women were especially moved with repugnance and horror at the story of his crimes against at the story of his crimes against children, and if Holmes could have been bound up to a stake and a barrel of paraffin poured over him there would have been no difficulty in Inding a mother to apply the match. Holmes was condemned to death, the trial was over, and the murderer was awaiting his execution when in the course of my wanderings I reached Philadelphia.

A TRIAL FOR MANSLAUGHTER. The mayor of Philadelphia, with The mayor of Philadelphia, with the customary American hospitality, took me over the great city house. This includes the law courts, and at one moment I found myself on the bench in what I think would answer to our court of assize. A trial for manylaughter was proceeding. A man was charged with killing his wife, and there were marked of the court of the man was charged with killing his wife, and there was much debious circumstantial evidence about an axe but no direct and positive testimony. At length the accused himself was put into the witness box. He was a black man, and he had not uttered a dozen sentences before I knew he was guilty of the crime. The judge turned to me and asked in a whisper if there was anything that struck me in the form of an American trial as different from / the English form. "Yes, indeed," I answered. "Your prisoners testify. That makes a tremendous difference. Before that man gave evidence I thought he might be innocent. Now I see he must be guilty."

"Ah, he's a tool, but you should be an intellectual man going through see an intellectual man going through the same ordeal. I wish you had been hers last week—we had Holmes in the box. It was a splendid ex-

I see that Cesare Lombroso, in a speaking with that strange profes-recent essay, classes "Halmes, the sional bias which makes the doctor American," among the three most talk of a "beautiful case" when he atrocious murderers of the later part refers to an example of disease so of the nineteenth century. I knew learful as to be almost outside ex-Holmes, or, to speak more exactly, perience; but I had my own professional bias as well.

"Holmes must be a wonderful study, I said, speaking as the

"He is, and if you are wise you will not leave Philadelphia without eeing him."

"But where can I see him now?" "In jail. I'll ask the attorney general to arrange a visit."

HOLMES' PRISON.

orison where Holmes was awaiting his execution. The warders were kind in their curious way. They first showed me their ghastly treasures, the ropes which had hanged other criminals, and the knives and revolvers with which the dead men had committed their crimes. I asked where Holmes was to be hanged and the place was pointed out to me. It was a well of the penitentiary almost immediately under the little barred windows of a line of cells. Mr. Hyde." He spoke of some liv-

I remember that while I was asosity, and my legs began to tremble. Why had I come there? Simply to exercise my office as a professional student of nature, to look at a notorious criminal, to pry into the secrets of his character as they revealed themselves in his face, and to peer through his eyes to his guilty soul. The sheer inhumanity of this moral vivisection troubled me then for the first time, and if I could have turned tail without betraying weakness I think I should have done so. But I braced myself for the interview by the thought that this was could scarcely stand for dizziness, I are imposed to tremble. He knew something of its subject. I didn't try. But the sense of compassion had grown so strong that I had forgotten the women and child ren whom the man had cruelly murdered and said, "I will value it very much," and if I ever leave this place. There was nothing left but the thought of a human creature on the line of the first time, and if I could have turned tail without betraying weakness I think I should have done so. But I braced myself for the interview by the thought that this was could scarcely stand for dizziness, I an impulse I could not resist, I held not a case of intruding upon sensi- had not been in it many minutes bebilities that were likely to be wound- fore I was miconsciously siding with ed, because Holmes was not a natur- the man against the law which was al man, but an atrocious monster, se soon to do him to death. When Thirty odd murders were at length and therefore no more to be considered by his crimes was, I think, not less than fifteen years. He was a pittless, relentless, cruel villain, who the cell I whispered the warder to the form of it. I remember that I told him that though I was very

> had taken shape in my mind I do not would account for his actions to t know, but it was banished in anan upper iron terrace we came to one which had Holmes' name, crimes and doom written on the doorpost. The warder glanced in through the peep-hole, then turned the key in the lock and threw the doors open.
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> was condenined, and though this touched, was just theory might show him to be guilty of other crimes it would, in a sense, be a good defense. Holmes listened attentively, and said, "Just so."
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> The Nugget's a lock and threw the doors open. other moment. In a line of cells on

"Harry " he cried, "there's FIRST SIGHT OF HOLMES:

A man who had been sitting on a bench at the darker end of the cell which I had never seen in a human rose and stepped forward. He was a face before. tall, slight man, with a longish beard, a serious face, and an intelectual head. His dress was black and almost clerical, and his outward appearance was that of unimp able respectability. He might have been a doctor, a lawyer, or a clergyman, and I remember that at first sight he teminded me of a scripturereader whom I had formerly known. The sense of disgust and rep which I had expected to feel I'did not experience. My horrible monster was, after all, a man, and insensibly I began to feel a certain illogicat

Holmes said in a gentle voice, "So I Then he turned, and, pointing to a volume which was lying open on the bench behind, he said, "I was just reading one of his books-my served wife brought it when she came last again. week "

HOLMES' FAVORITE FICTION. I asked if he read much, and he artwered that he had always been a great reader. His favorite among modern authors was Stevenson, and I think he said-I cannot be quite sure-that his favorite among Stevenson's books was "Dr. Jekyll gand discrimination, and finally mentioned pose I ought to have said somethin a book of mine which he had not cending that iron staircase my hu- read. It is a book dealing with the had yet said to this perpetrator of manity got the better of my curi- love of a father for his daughter, and so many crimes. I could not do so osity, and my legs began to tremble. he knew something of its subject. I I didn't try. But the sense of com-

stand close to me and not let the ignorant of law I had an impression that what a convicted man had to was to formulate a theory that exclus on of the crime for which he was condemned, and thought this

a of his child, I think his only dal fer. One of his eyes had filled with fears, while the other remained dry. This gave him a strange expression

"Is there anything arriss with your left eye ?" I asked.

"Nothing,'j he answered, and he went on to speak of other matters. He spoke of the prison, and said it was admirably planned and man-

"I've been interested in prisons all my life, and at one time and another I think I have visited nearly, all the principal prisons in the United the Philippines over the lands of the states, but this is quite the best I ave ever seen."

There was something creepy in the ing prisons as a visitor during the years of his crimes, as if drawn to them by some devilish spell. both felt it, and the subject dropp One side of his mouth fell, and that strange expression which I had ob Baptists, Protestant Episcopalians. served before came into his face United Brethren and Methodists have

"Is there anything amiss your mouth?" I asked, and more he answered "No."

But I cannot better describe was visibly moved than to say that one side of it became intensely human while the other remained passive and therefore almost wicked.

PARTING FROM HOLMES. The time came to go, and I supbetter worth saying than anything

view by the thought that this was could scarcely stand for ditziness, I an impulse I could not resist, I held out my hand and said, "Good-bye, and God bless you !"

They say Holmes broke down. know I did. And that was the result of my ten minutes in the condemned cell of perhaps the most brutal murderer that ever lived in

the body of a man.

The instinct which told me, much of thirty murders was after all a hu-man being, with "the soul of goodtouched, was justified within a week's But that is another and a different story. HALL CAINE.

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