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ered in the parlour of the Hopkins house. Professor Hopkins was upstairs in bed. Dr. Whittridge said that he did not think it would be pneumonia, but the patient must be kept very quiet for many days.

To say that the strange occurrences of the last few days, with their stranger dénouement, were explained in that meeting would be to exaggerate. They have never been explained. It is doubtful if they ever will be. Of course, the material aspects of the case were robbed of the veil of mystery that had shrouded them, but the manner of Professor Hopkins' recall to life—for such it was and must be acknowledged to be—was not and has never been satisfactorily cleared up.

In view of his since famous experiments along the line of the application of radium salts toward inducing the suspension of animation, it may be that the general public can find some solution for itself. It is well known that not only Professor Hopkins but Dr. Neuell of Berlin, have succeeded in exposing the larvæ of the promethea and cecropia