

gentlemen of the jury, and that was a werry particular and uncommon circumstance vith me in these days.

JUDGE : You had better be careful, sir.

SAM : So Mr. Pickwick said at the time, my lord, and I was werry careful o' that ere suit of clothes, werry careful indeed, my lord.

JUDGE : Confine yourself to the questions of the counsel, sir !

SAM : Werry good, my lord.

BUZFUZ : Do you mean to tell me, Mr. Weller, that you saw nothing of this fainting on the part of the plaintiff in the arms of the defendant, which you have heard described by the witnesses ?

SAM : Certingly—

BUZFUZ : Ah—

SAM : Not, sir. I was in the passage till they called me hup, and then the old lady, as you calls the plaintiff, she warn't there, sir.

BUZFUZ : Now attend, Mr. Weller. You were in the passage, and yet saw nothing of what was going forward ? Have you a pair of eyes, Mr. Weller ?

SAM : Yes, I 'ave a pair of heyes, and that's just it. If they was a pair o' patent double million magnifyin' gas microscopes o' hextra power, p'raps I might be able to see through two flights o' stairs and a deal door, but bein' only heyes, you see my wision's limited.

*(Buzfuz consults Dodson and Fogg).*

BUZFUZ : Now, Mr. Weller, I'll ask you a question on another point, if you please.

SAM : If *you* please, sir.

BUZFUZ : Do you remember going up to Mrs. Bardell's house one night in November ?

SAM : Oh, yes, werry well.

BUZFUZ : Oh, you do remember that, Mr. Weller ? I thought we should get at something at last.

SAM : I rayther thought that, too, sir.

BUZFUZ : Well, I suppose you went up to have a little talk about the trial, eh, Mr. Weller ?

SAM : I went up to pay the rent. but we *did* get a talkin' about the trial.

BUZFUZ : Oh, you did get a-talking about the trial. Now, what passed about the trial; will you have the goodness to tell us, Mr. Weller ?

SAM : Vith all the pleasure in life, sir. Arter a few unimportant obserwations from the two wirtuous females as 'as been examined 'ere to-day, the ladies gets a into werry great state o' admiration at the honorable conduct