

SECTION I

THE MYSTERY OF MR HYDE

SUMMARIES

Enfield's words, 'hellish to see', for he 'trampled calmly' over the body of the girl, leaving her screaming in pain and terror. Enfield chased and caught the culprit, bringing him back to the scene of the crime where the child's family and a doctor had gathered about her. The man appeared to be calm in the presence of his accusers yet he inspired loathing and hatred in all those around him. When threatened with a public scandal, the man agreed with apparent coolness to compensate the child with £100 for the child's family. To Enfield's surprise, he then produced a key and opened the very door which had prompted Enfield to tell his strange story to Utterson. He returned with some cash and a cheque signed by another gentleman well known to Enfield, who does not reveal the name to Utterson at that point. Naturally, the bank is not open at that early hour of the morning, so the doctor, the girl's father and Enfield accompanied the man to Enfield's chambers where they remained until the morning, when, to general surprise, the cheque was found to be genuine.

Notice the peculiar effect which the strange man has on all those who encountered him.

Enfield naturally suspects blackmail. He returns once more in his conversation to the subject of the odd house with the singular door which it seems is only visited by the strange man of Enfield's story who, he had found, lived elsewhere 'in some square or other' in Soho. Although he had made such an unpleasant impression on Enfield he finds it difficult to describe him to Utterson and when he reveals the name of this man as Hyde, Utterson's suspicions are confirmed. He knows full well whose account the money was drawn from and whose laboratories the door leads to. However, he does not reveal this knowledge to Enfield and both men agree to keep what they have been discussing very much to themselves.

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