Baker Street Elementary

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Introduction

By Don Hobbs, BSI (“Inspector Lestrade”)

In recent years, one could build a virtual mountain out of the amount of material devoted to the world’s first consulting detective.

Every type of medium imaginable has seen a great proliferation - movies, video games, television series, comic books, pastiches, and even Canonical Pop-Up books number themselves among other reissued variations of the Canon. As one can deduce, not everything available is a must-have piece of Sherlockiana, not even close. On the other hand, a few items are as fresh as a newly fallen snow, and still fewer of those actually make one’s pride swell simply for owning them.

Baker Street Elementary is one of those rare treats, taking all of the familiar Sherlockian characters and presenting then in a completely original manner.

This marvelous creation, the brainchild of Joe Fay (creator & writer), Steve Mason (writer & editor), and Rusty Mason (illustrator), features Holmes and Watson during their formative years at that long-ago elementary school that might have been…somewhere on Baker Street. The magic this trio produces is evident in every panel of every strip of ***Baker Street Elementary***. There is nothing close to ***South Park*** envy here, in fact many of the South Park residents most likely wish they could attend ***Baker Street Elementary***.

The exploits of Holmes and Watson are here for the reader’s enjoyment, demanding that one read the strips with one eye towards the Canon and one tongue planted firmly in cheek. Peppered with other well-known characters like Lestrade, Mycroft, and Stamford, (and with plans to introduce the female characters from the Canon who attend a sister school), the panels are funny, but also show a deep, intimate, working knowledge of, and a healthy respect for, the Canon of Sherlock Holmes stories. The pawky humor is wry and thought-provoking.

Those familiar with the newsletter of Dallas’ Sherlock Holmes society, The Crew of the Barque Lone Star, will know that ***Baker Street Elementary*** adorns the back page of each issue. The strip has also been regularly syndicated, or guest-starred, in other Sherlockian society newsletters, such as the Sound of the Baskervilles. Irregular appearances of new strips entreat the society members with randomly-released episodes between the monthly newsletters. Basically, whenever Joe, Steve, and Rusty can fit this labor of love into their already-hectic lives.

Here, for the first time, is a collection of every strip of ***Baker Street Elementary***. See for yourself what those lucky Dallas Sherlockians have known for a long time: Dallas has more to offer than football, oil, and cattle. It has a first rate Sherlockian comic strip, with a growing fan base.

Enjoy!

Flower Mound, Texas, Dec. 2015

John Watson

John Watson is the central character of the strip, chronicling the life and times in an elementary school. He arrives at Baker Street Elementary as a new student, and quickly becomes friends with Sherlock Holmes. While many may believe he has a hero-worship fixation on Holmes, most will agree Watson simply displays traits of future boy scouts: loyalty, trustworthiness, friendship, bravery, and obedience.

Watson is normally optimistic in everyday life, but is constantly frustrated with some of the outlandish antics of his friend. Watson often gives Holmes advice after listening to his various insecurities and concerns. Similarly, Holmes generally observes Watson's faults, including his odd quirks. They are also together in an allegiance over a common enemy: Moriarty, the school bully.

Sherlock Holmes

Sherlock Holmes is considered very self-confident when it comes to his ability to solve mysteries around the school. He is pessimistic toward authority within the school. Holmes seems to need an admiring audience to acknowledge his amazing feats of deductive skills.

He tends to aggravate the teachers with his ability to point out their weaknesses, and is frequently in trouble for disrupting class. While he does not have a fear or hatred of girls his own age, it is apparent he is distrustful of them, and sees them as more trouble than good (although he may have a secret crush on one girl, Irene).

His friend, Watson, describes Holmes as: uninterested in Literature, Philosophy, Astronomy, and Politics; interested in Poisons, Chemistry, and Criminal tales; constantly is memorizing features of anatomy.

Stamford

Stamford introduces his friend, Holmes, to Watson, when Watson first appears at the new school.

Stamford is known noted for his habit of profoundly misunderstanding basic concepts and ideas that most people would consider obvious.

He also ignores any advice on school work.

Stamford consistently earns the lowest grades in class, which he wears as a badge of honor ("someone has do it"). As with Watson, Stamford is fiercely loyal to his friends, and more than average in the school sports.

Arthur "Ignatius" Doyle

Doyle, a friend to both Holmes and Watson, is one of the star athletes within the school.

Physically larger than all other students, his pranks and challenge of authority constantly keep him in detention, but his good nature and chivalrous attitude toward girls and weaker boys, keeps in him good stead with his peers.

Ignatius is an avid reader, and believes his future is involved in letters, although medical school would be more realistic.

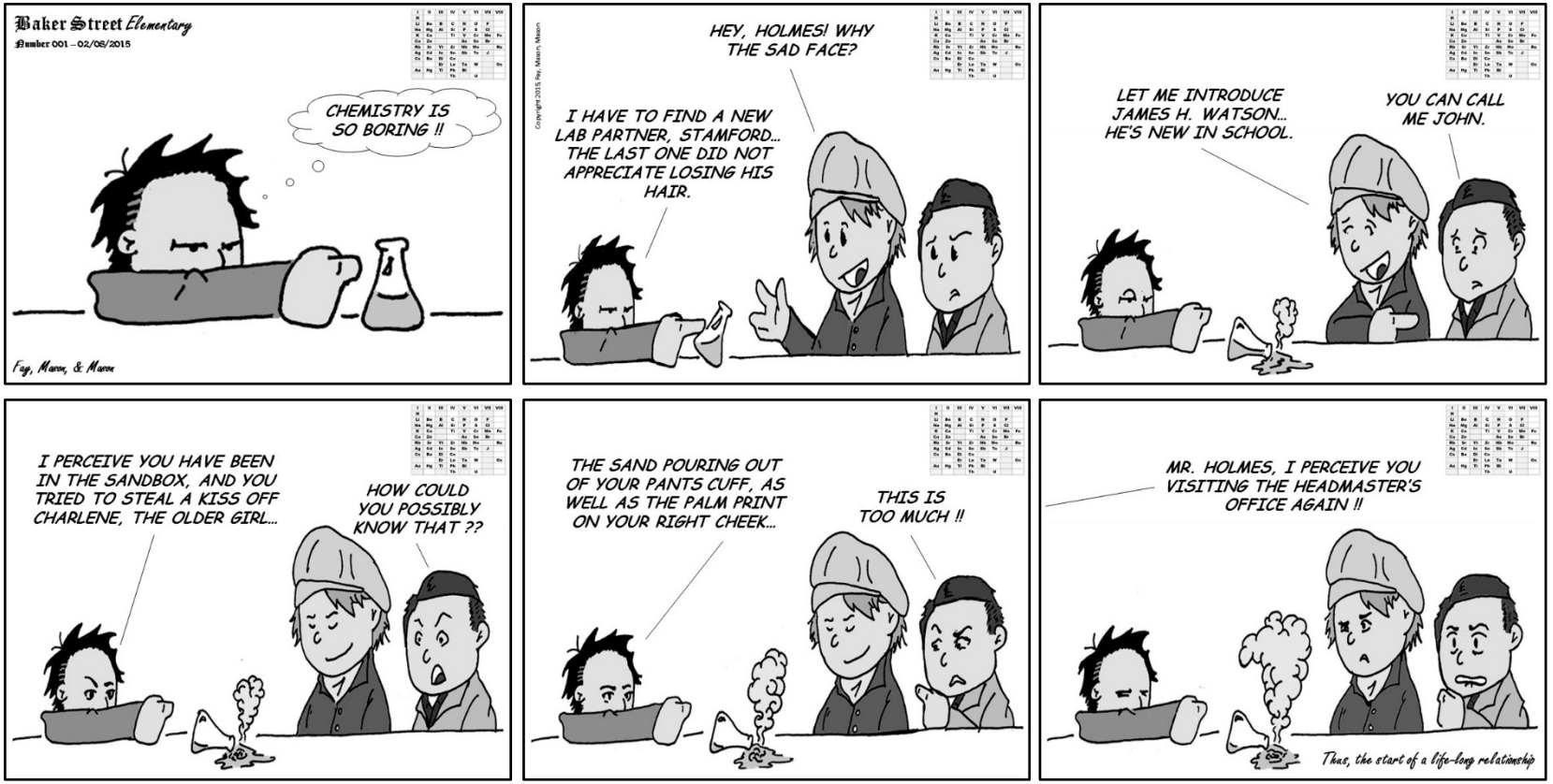
He believes in ghosts, spirits, and other supernatural events, and tries to convince others to also believe.

Irene Adler

Irene (pronounced eye-REE-nee) was born to a middle-class family in New Jersey. During her 10th year, she was provided a chance to travel to England to study abroad at the *Grey Coat Hospital.*

She participates in the girl's choir, as well as lead roles in many of the school's dramas, favoring disguises and costumes to change her identity at will. While having unconventional habits, Irene believes she can determine her own future, not having to rely on the kindness of gentlemen around her.

Most boys who have the good fortune to cross her path would suggest Irene had "the face of the most beautiful of girls, and the mind of the most resolute of boys."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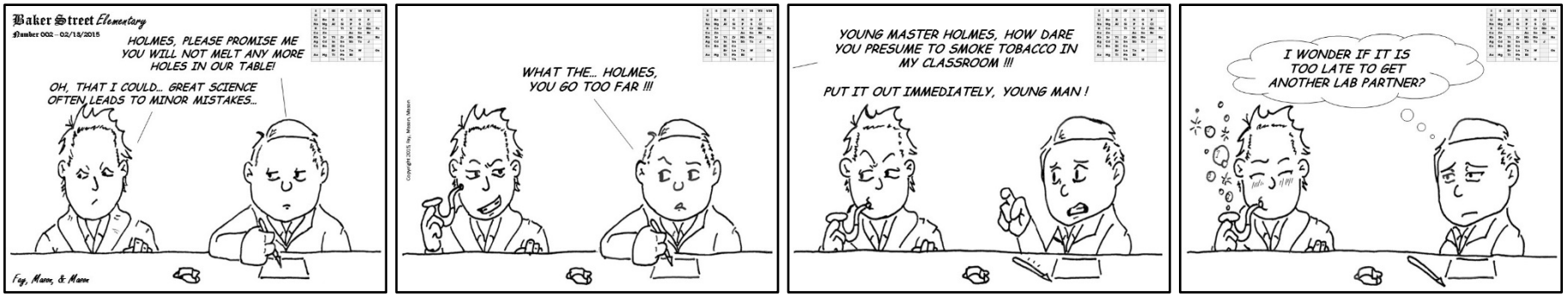
Number 001 – 02/08/2015
CHEMISTRY IS SO BORING !!
Fay, Mason, & Mason
HEY, HOLMES! WHY THE SAD FACE?
I HAVE TO FIND A NEW LAB PARTNER, STAMFORD... THE LAST ONE DID NOT APPRECIATE LOSING HIS HAIR.
LET ME INTRODUCE JAMES H. WATSON... HE'S NEW IN SCHOOL.
YOU CAN CALL ME JOHN.
I PERCEIVE YOU HAVE BEEN IN THE SANDBOX, AND YOU TRIED TO STEAL A KISS OFF CHARLENE, THE OLDER GIRL...
HOW COULD YOU POSSIBLY KNOW THAT ??
THE SAND POURING OUT OF YOUR PANTS CUFF, AS WELL AS THE PALM PRINT ON YOUR RIGHT CHEEK...
THIS IS TOO MUCH !!
MR. HOLMES, I PERCEIVE YOU VISITING THE HEADMASTER'S OFFICE AGAIN !!
Thus, the start of a life-long relationship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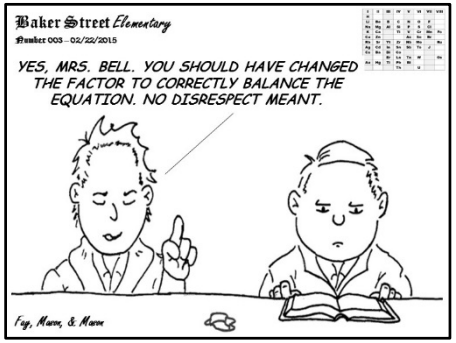
HOLMES, PLEASE PROMISE ME YOU WILL NOT MELT ANY MORE HOLES IN OUR TABLE!
OH, THAT I COULD... GREAT SCIENCE OFTEN LEADS TO MINOR MISTAKES...
Fay, Mason, & Mason
WHAT THE... HOLMES, YOU GO TOO FAR !!!
YOUNG MASTER HOLMES, HOW DARE YOU PRESUME TO SMOKE TOBACCO IN MY CLASSROOM !!!
PUT IT OUT IMMEDIATELY, YOUNG MAN !
I WONDER IF IT IS TOO LATE TO GET ANOTHER LAB PARTNER?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YES, MRS. BELL. YOU SHOULD HAVE CHANGED THE FACTOR TO CORRECTLY BALANCE THE EQUATION. NO DISRESPECT MEANT.
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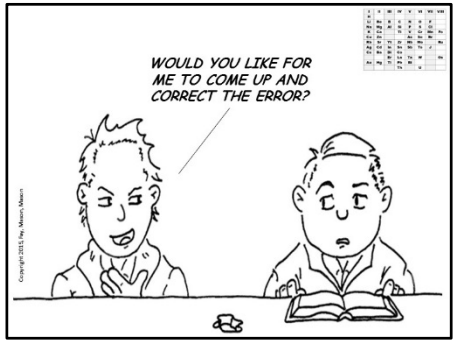
WOULD YOU LIKE FOR ME TO COME UP AND CORRECT THE ERROR?
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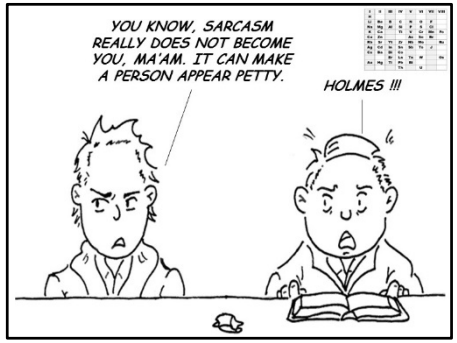
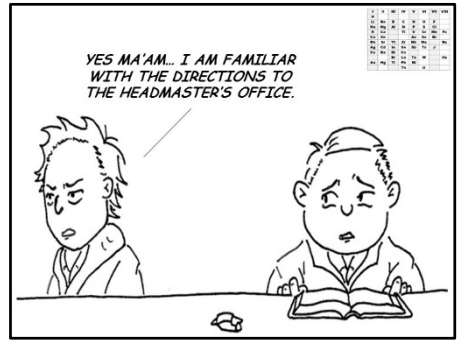
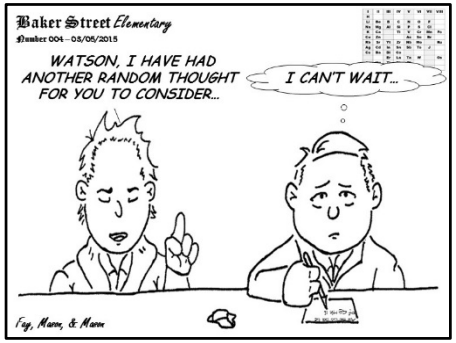

YOU KNOW, SARCASM REALLY DOES NOT BECOME YOU, MA'AM. IT CAN MAKE A PERSON APPEAR PETTY.
HOLMES !!!


YES MA'AM... I AM FAMILIAR WITH THE DIRECTIONS TO THE HEADMASTER'S OFFICE.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WATSON, I HAVE HAD ANOTHER RANDOM THOUGHT FOR YOU TO CONSIDER...
I CAN'T WAIT...
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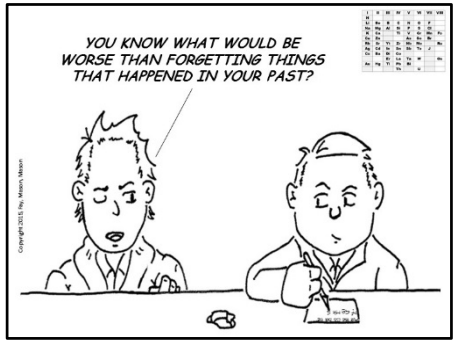
YOU KNOW WHAT WOULD BE WORSE THAN FORGETTING THINGS THAT HAPPENED IN YOUR PAST?
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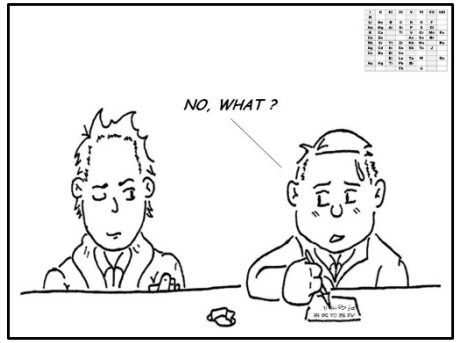
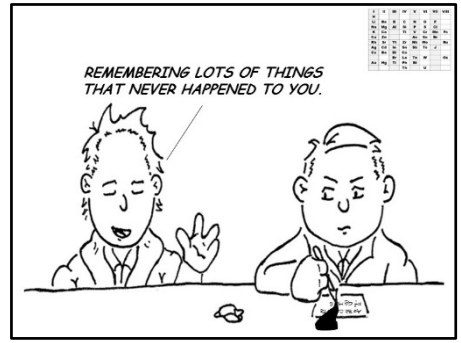
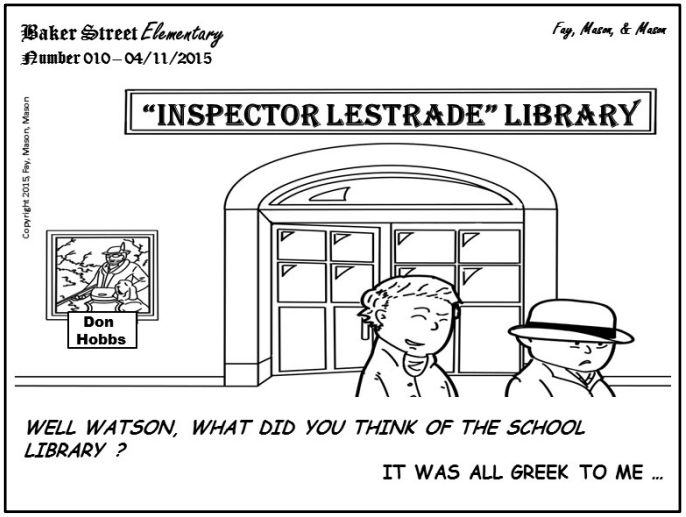

NO, WHAT ?


REMEMBERING LOTS OF THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPENED TO YOU.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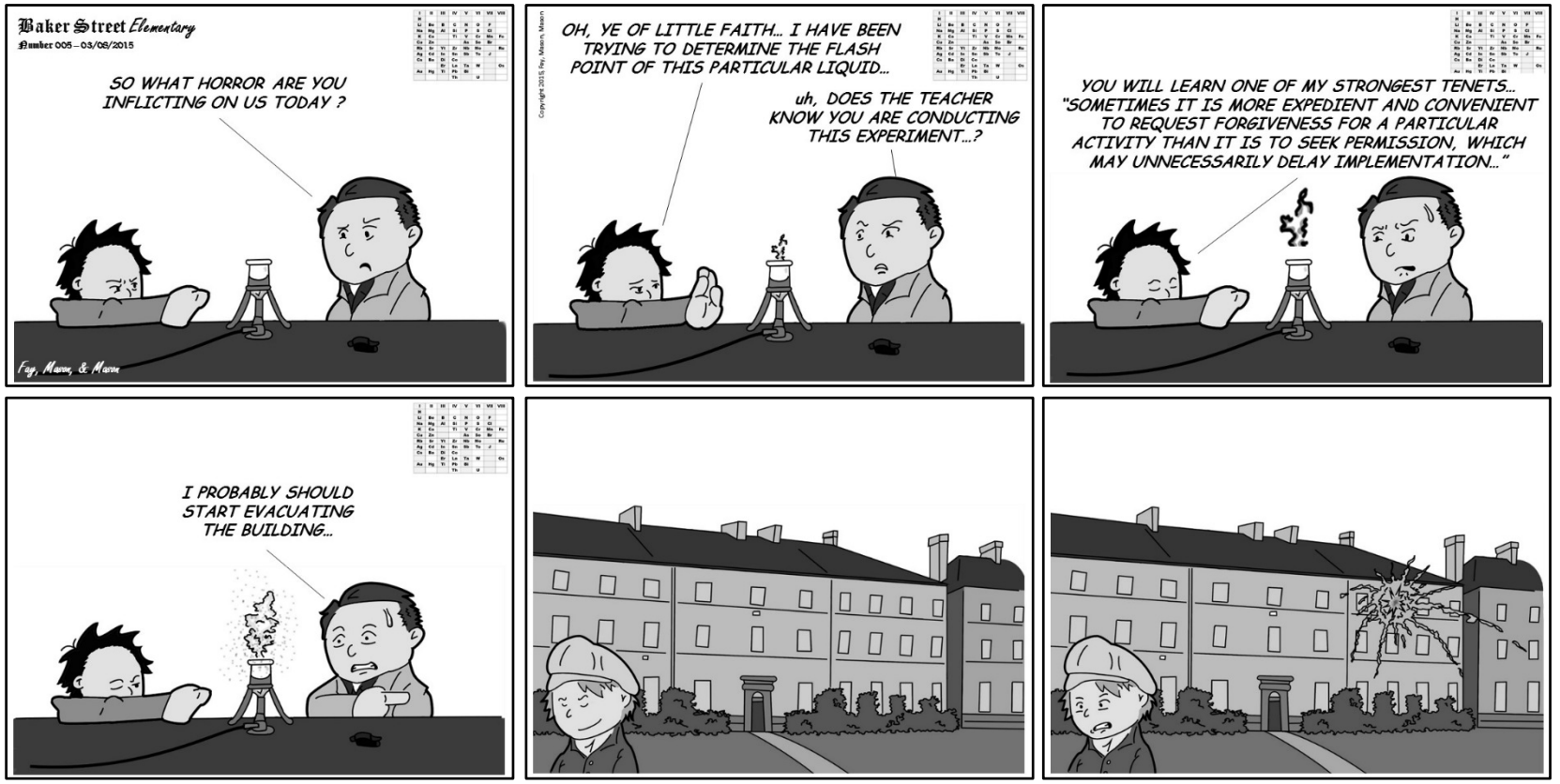
"INSPECTOR LESTRADE" LIBRARY
Don Hobbs
WELL WATSON, WHAT DID YOU THINK OF THE SCHOOL LIBRARY ?
IT WAS ALL GREEK TO ME ...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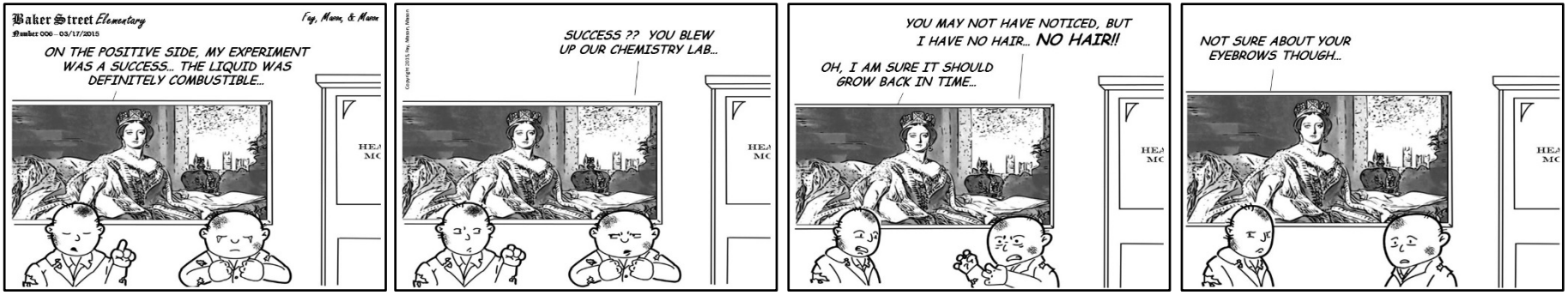
Number 005 – 03/05/2015
SO WHAT HORROR ARE YOU INFLICTING ON US TODAY ?
Fay, Mason, & Mason
OH, YE OF LITTLE FAITH… I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO DETERMINE THE FLASH POINT OF THIS PARTICULAR LIQUID…
uh, DOES THE TEACHER KNOW YOU ARE CONDUCTING THIS EXPERIMENT…?
YOU WILL LEARN ONE OF MY STRONGEST TENETS.. "SOMETIMES IT IS MORE EXPEDIENT AND CONVENIENT TO REQUEST FORGIVENESS FOR A PARTICULAR ACTIVITY THAN IT IS TO SEEK PERMISSION, WHICH MAY UNNECESSARILY DELAY IMPLEMENTATION…"
I PROBABLY SHOULD START EVACUATING THE BUILDING…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ON THE POSITIVE SIDE, MY EXPERIMENT WAS A SUCCESS… THE LIQUID WAS DEFINITELY COMBUSTIBLE…
SUCCESS ?? YOU BLEW UP OUR CHEMISTRY LAB…
YOU MAY NOT HAVE NOTICED, BUT I HAVE NO HAIR… NO HAIR!!
OH, I AM SURE IT SHOULD GROW BACK IN TIME…
NOT SURE ABOUT YOUR EYEBROWS THOUGH…

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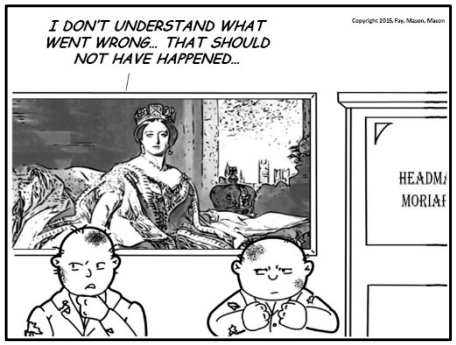
Number 007 – 03/24/2015
THIS MAKES 3 TIMES THIS WEEK TO THE HEADMASTER'S OFFICE.
WHEN YOU MELT A LAB TABLE, A VISIT TO THE OFFICE IS PRETTY STANDARD.
HEADM
MORIAI


I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT WENT WRONG… THAT SHOULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED…
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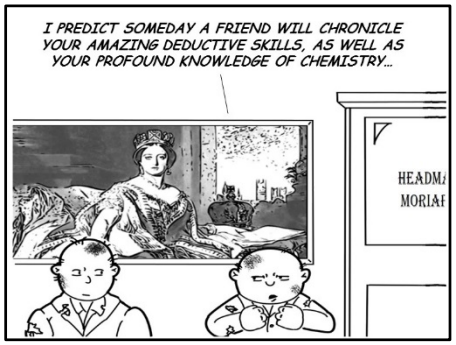
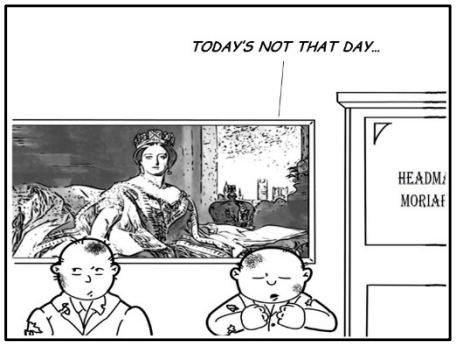
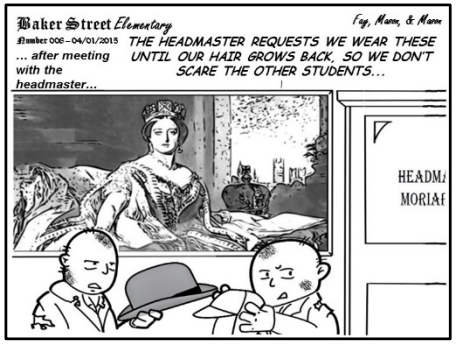
HEADM
MORIAI


I PREDICT SOMEDAY A FRIEND WILL CHRONICLE YOUR AMAZING DEDUCTIVE SKILLS, AS WELL AS YOUR PROFOUND KNOWLEDGE OF CHEMISTRY…
HEADM
MORIAI


TODAY'S NOT THAT DAY…
HEADM
MORIAI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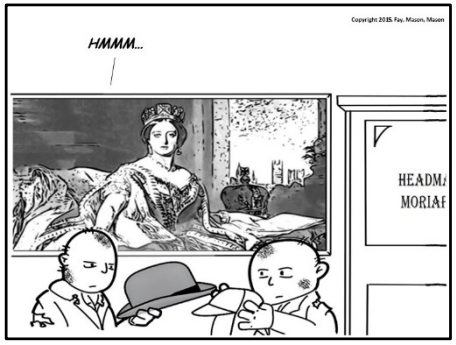
… after meeting with the headmaster…
THE HEADMASTER REQUESTS WE WEAR THESE UNTIL OUR HAIR GROWS BACK. SO WE DON'T SCARE THE OTHER STUDENTS…
HEADM
MORIAI


HMMM…
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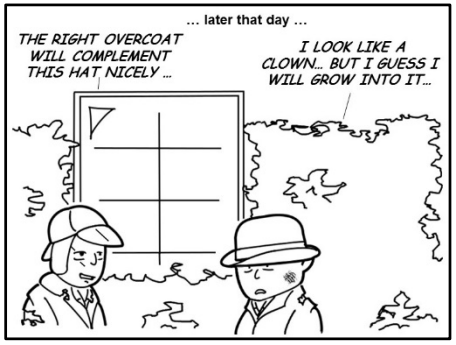
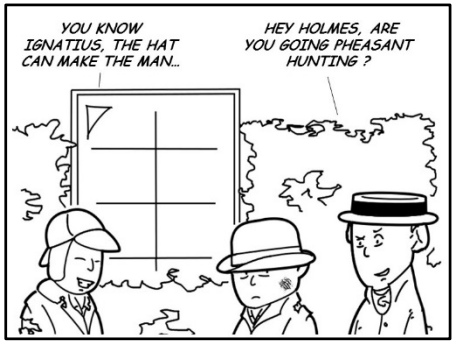
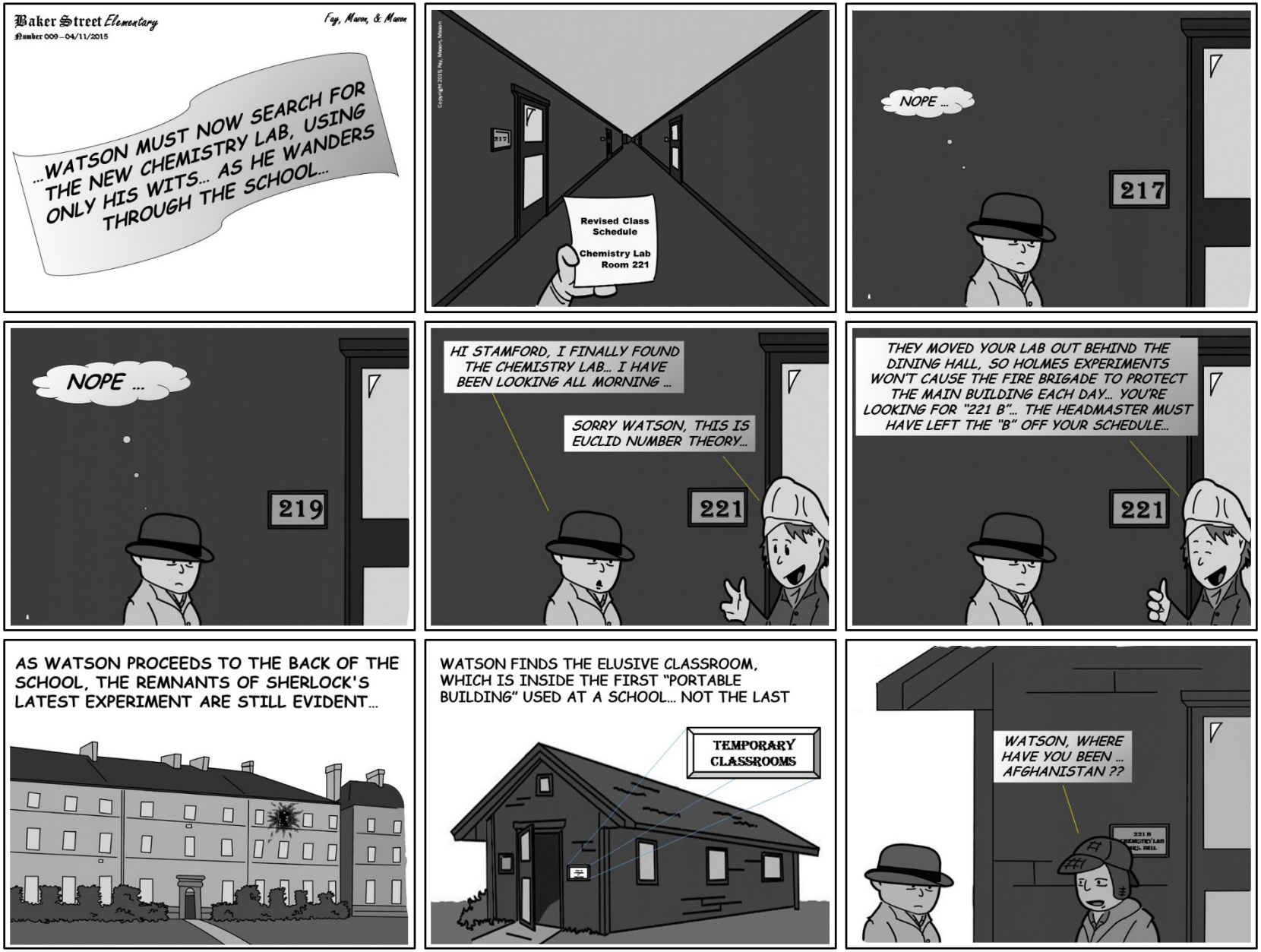
HEADM
MORIAI


… later that day …
THE RIGHT OVERCOAT WILL COMPLEMENT THIS HAT NICELY …
I LOOK LIKE A CLOWN… BUT I GUESS I WILL GROW INTO IT…


YOU KNOW IGNATIUS, THE HAT CAN MAKE THE MAN…
HEY HOLMES, ARE YOU GOING PHEASANT HUNTING ?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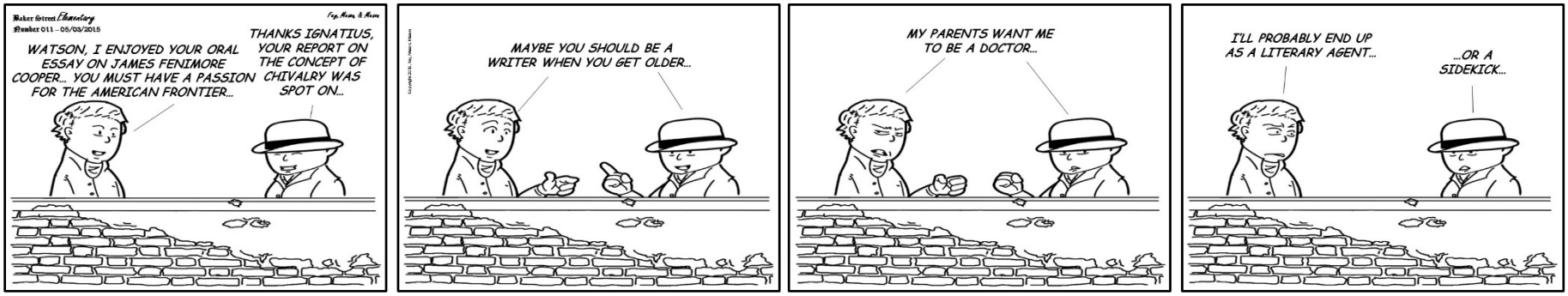
Fay, Mavin, & Mavin
Number 009 – 04/11/2015
...WATSON MUST NOW SEARCH FOR THE NEW CHEMISTRY LAB, USING ONLY HIS WITS... AS HE WANDERS THROUGH THE SCHOOL...
217
Revised Class Schedule
Chemistry Lab Room 221
NOPE ...
217
NOPE ...
219
HI STAMFORD, I FINALLY FOUND THE CHEMISTRY LAB... I HAVE BEEN LOOKING ALL MORNING ...
SORRY WATSON, THIS IS EUCLID NUMBER THEORY...
221
THEY MOVED YOUR LAB OUT BEHIND THE DINING HALL, SO HOLMES EXPERIMENTS WON'T CAUSE THE FIRE BRIGADE TO PROTECT THE MAIN BUILDING EACH DAY... YOU'RE LOOKING FOR "221 B"... THE HEADMASTER MUST HAVE LEFT THE "B" OFF YOUR SCHEDULE...
221
AS WATSON PROCEEDS TO THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL, THE REMNANTS OF SHERLOCK'S LATEST EXPERIMENT ARE STILL EVIDENT...
WATSON FINDS THE ELUSIVE CLASSROOM, WHICH IS INSIDE THE FIRST "PORTABLE BUILDING" USED AT A SCHOOL... NOT THE LAST
TEMPORARY CLASSROOMS
WATSON, WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN ... AFGHANISTAN ??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Fay, Mann, & Mann
WATSON, I ENJOYED YOUR ORAL ESSAY ON JAMES FENIMORE COOPER... YOU MUST HAVE A PASSION FOR THE AMERICAN FRONTIER...
THANKS IGNATIUS, YOUR REPORT ON THE CONCEPT OF CHIVALRY WAS SPOT ON...
MAYBE YOU SHOULD BE A WRITER WHEN YOU GET OLDER...
MY PARENTS WANT ME TO BE A DOCTOR...
I'LL PROBABLY END UP AS A LITERARY AGENT...
...OR A SIDEKICK...

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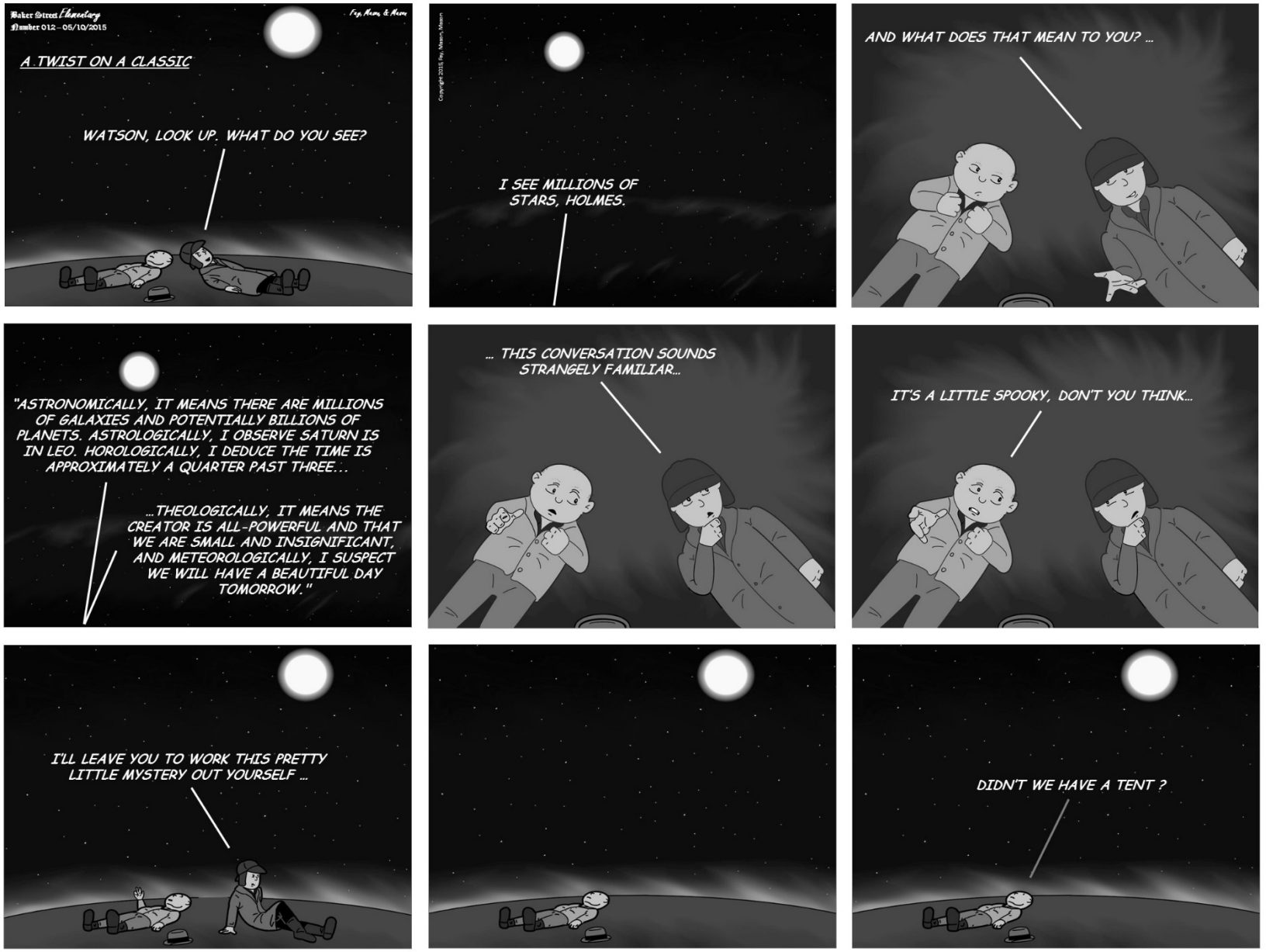
Number 013 – 05/31/2015
Fay, Mann, & Mann
Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam
Laus Deo Semper
WELL STAMFORD, JUST ANOTHER DAY... AND HERE IS THE TEACHER RETURNING MY LATEST ESSAY ATTEMPT...
PLEASE LET ME PASS... JUST LET ME PASS...
EXPERTS SAY MENTAL FAILURE, EVEN AT THIS AGE, CAN DIMINISH YOUR BODY'S DEFENSES AGAINST ILLNESS -- RAISING YOUR RISK OF FUTURE BRAIN FEVER, DISEASE, AND EVEN MANIA...
...OH WELL, BODY, I GUESS YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN...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A TWIST ON A CLASSIC
WATSON, LOOK UP. WHAT DO YOU SEE?
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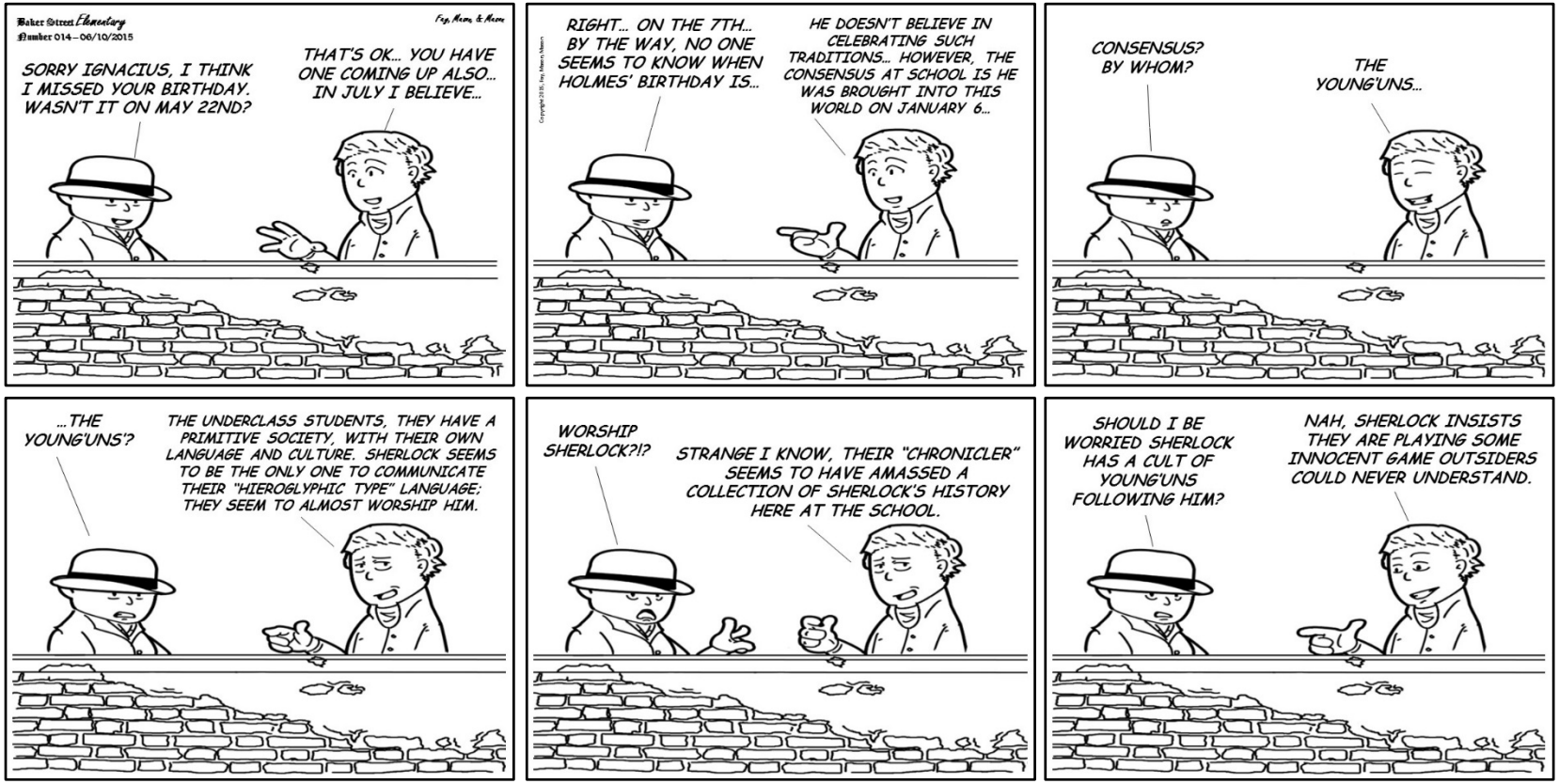
I SEE MILLIONS OF STARS, HOLMES.
AND WHAT DOES THAT MEAN TO YOU? ...
"ASTRONOMICALLY, IT MEANS THERE ARE MILLIONS OF GALAXIES AND POTENTIALLY BILLIONS OF PLANETS. ASTROLOGICALLY, I OBSERVE SATURN IS IN LEO. HOROLOGICALLY, I DEDUCE THE TIME IS APPROXIMATELY A QUARTER PAST THREE...
...THEOLOGICALLY, IT MEANS THE CREATOR IS ALL-POWERFUL AND THAT WE ARE SMALL AND INSIGNIFICANT, AND METEOROLOGICALLY, I SUSPECT WE WILL HAVE A BEAUTIFUL DAY TOMORROW."
... THIS CONVERSATION SOUNDS STRANGELY FAMILIAR...
IT'S A LITTLE SPOOKY, DON'T YOU THINK...
I'LL LEAVE YOU TO WORK THIS PRETTY LITTLE MYSTERY OUT YOURSELF ...
DIDN'T WE HAVE A TENT ?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Fay, Mara, & Mara
SORRY IGNACIUS, I THINK I MISSED YOUR BIRTHDAY. WASN'T IT ON MAY 22ND?
THAT'S OK... YOU HAVE ONE COMING UP ALSO... IN JULY I BELIEVE...
RIGHT... ON THE 7TH... BY THE WAY, NO ONE SEEMS TO KNOW WHEN HOLMES' BIRTHDAY IS...
HE DOESN'T BELIEVE IN CELEBRATING SUCH TRADITIONS... HOWEVER, THE CONSENSUS AT SCHOOL IS HE WAS BROUGHT INTO THIS WORLD ON JANUARY 6...
CONSENSUS? BY WHOM?
THE YOUNG'UNS...
...THE YOUNG'UNS'?
THE UNDERCLASS STUDENTS, THEY HAVE A PRIMITIVE SOCIETY, WITH THEIR OWN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE. SHERLOCK SEEMS TO BE THE ONLY ONE TO COMMUNICATE THEIR "HIEROGLYPHIC TYPE" LANGUAGE; THEY SEEM TO ALMOST WORSHIP HIM.
WORSHIP SHERLOCK?!?
STRANGE I KNOW, THEIR "CHRONICLER" SEEMS TO HAVE AMASSED A COLLECTION OF SHERLOCK'S HISTORY HERE AT THE SCHOOL.
SHOULD I BE WORRIED SHERLOCK HAS A CULT OF YOUNG'UNS FOLLOWING HIM?
NAH, SHERLOCK INSISTS THEY ARE PLAYING SOME INNOCENT GAME OUTSIDERS COULD NEVER UNDERSTAND.

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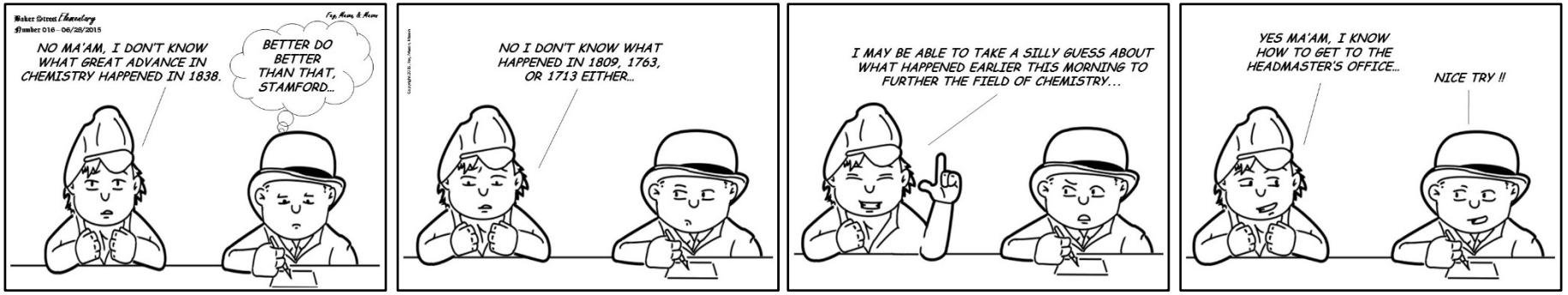
Number 015 – 06/18/2015
Fay, Mara, & Mara
"WATSON, I HAVE A RIDDLE FOR YOU."
"REALLY, HOLMES. HOW I DO LOVE RIDDLES."
"EXCELLENT! WELL THEN, WHAT DO CALL A TRILLION PENNIES NEXT TO THE OCEAN?"
"HMMM, I DON'T KNOW. DO TELL ME."
"COPPER BEACHES!"
"I DON'T GET IT."
"SOMEDAY YOU WILL."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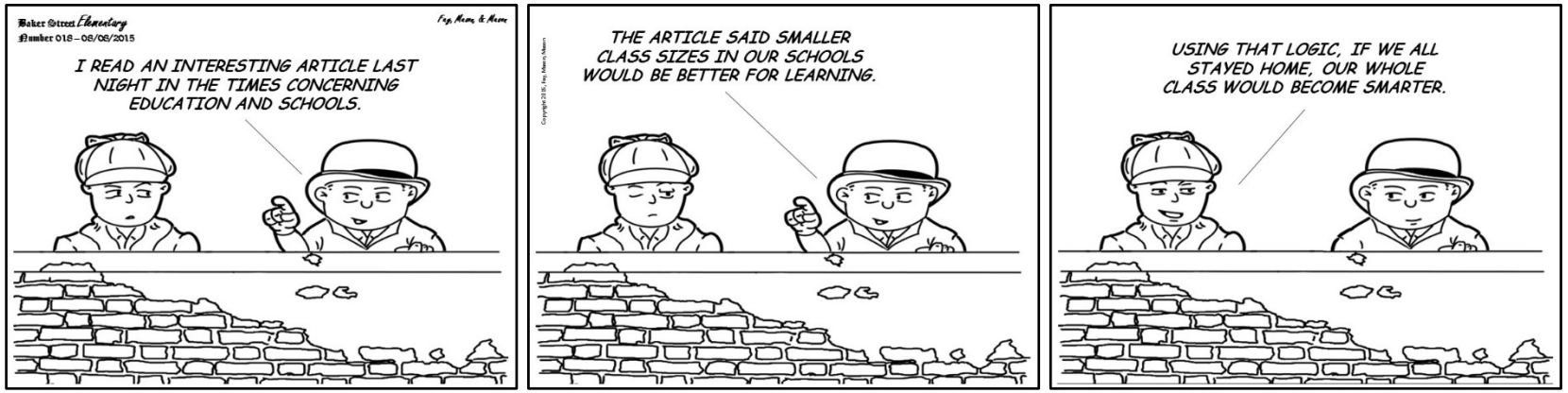
Number 016 – 06/28/2015
Fop, Mum, & Mum
NO MA'AM, I DON'T KNOW WHAT GREAT ADVANCE IN CHEMISTRY HAPPENED IN 1838.
BETTER DO BETTER THAN THAT, STAMFORD…
NO I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED IN 1809, 1763, OR 1713 EITHER…
I MAY BE ABLE TO TAKE A SILLY GUESS ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED EARLIER THIS MORNING TO FURTHER THE FIELD OF CHEMISTRY…
YES MA'AM, I KNOW HOW TO GET TO THE HEADMASTER'S OFFICE…
NICE TRY !!

Baker Street Elementary
Number 017 – 07/23/2015
Fop, Mum, & Mum
HOW I DO LOVE BOOKS, HOLMES. DO YOU…?
I GUESS THEY'RE OK…
MY BOOKS ARE FRIENDS THAT NEVER FAIL ME.
OK……
THAT'S FROM THOMAS CARLYLE. DO YOU NOT READ HIM, HOLMES?
THOMAS WHO…?
THOMAS CARLYLE !!
WELL, WHAT HAS HE EVER DONE…?
HE'S ONLY ONE OF THE MOST CELEBRATED ENGLISH AUTHORS OF THE MODERN ERA."
CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE DOES NOT INTEREST ME IN THE SLIGHTEST.
SOMETIMES YOUR IGNORANCE CAN BE AS REMARKABLE AS YOUR KNOWLEDGE.
THANKS, MY FRIEND…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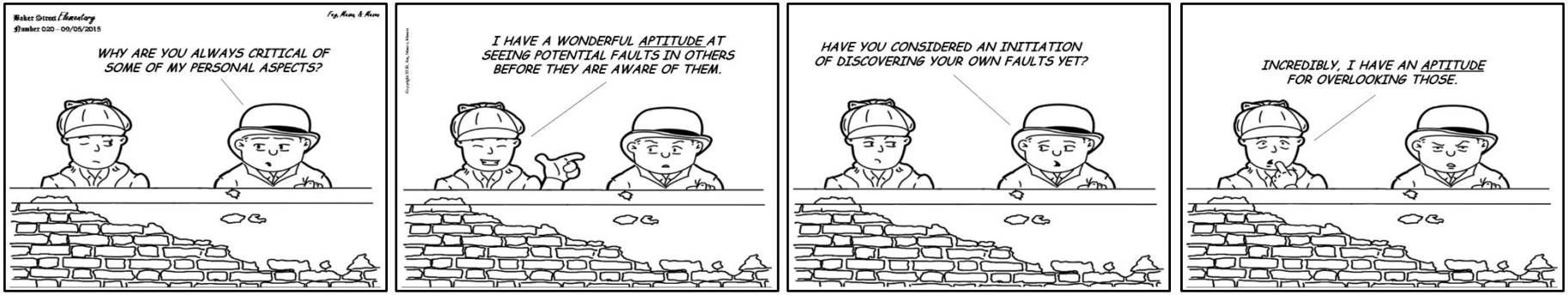
Number 018 – 08/08/2015
Fay, Mann, & Mann
I READ AN INTERESTING ARTICLE LAST NIGHT IN THE TIMES CONCERNING EDUCATION AND SCHOOLS.
THE ARTICLE SAID SMALLER CLASS SIZES IN OUR SCHOOLS WOULD BE BETTER FOR LEARNING.
USING THAT LOGIC, IF WE ALL STAYED HOME, OUR WHOLE CLASS WOULD BECOME SMARTER.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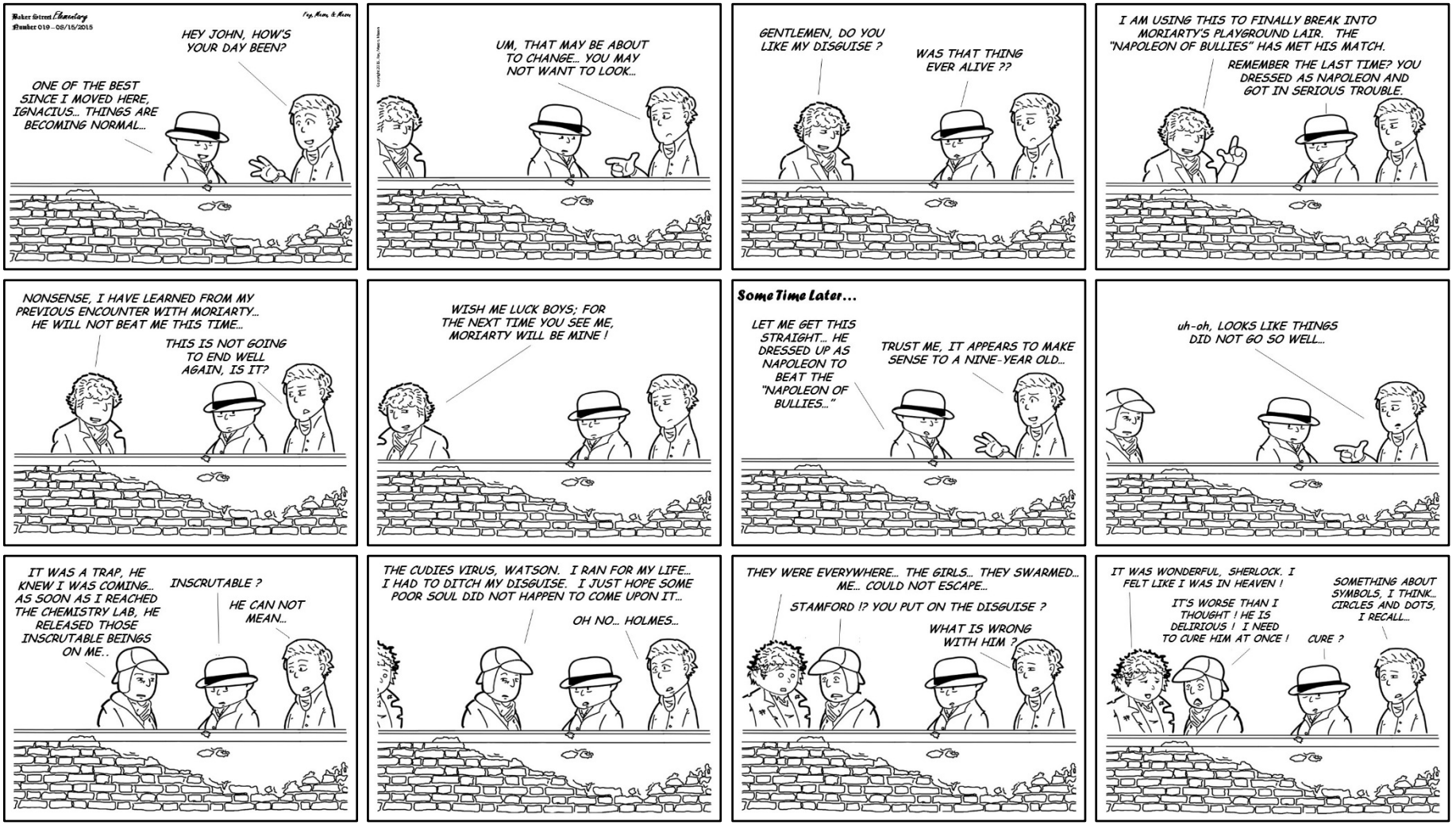
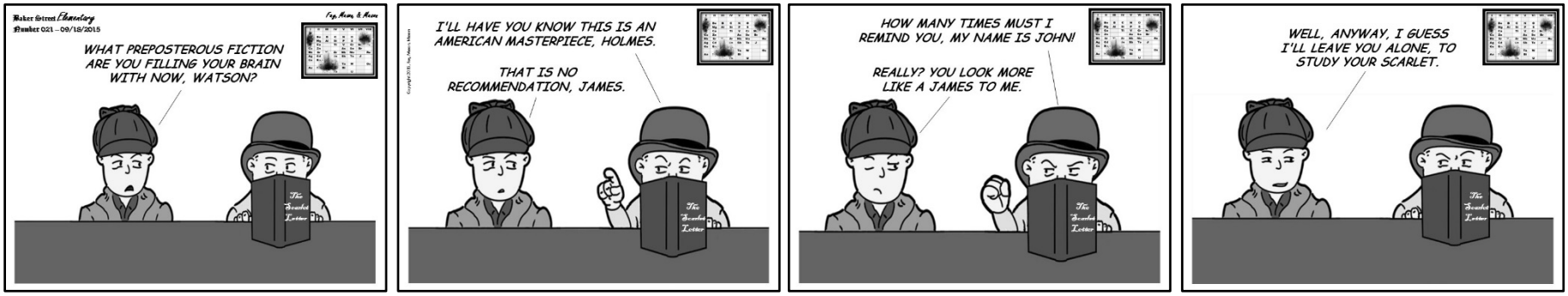
Number 020 – 09/05/2015
Fay, Mann, & Mann
WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS CRITICAL OF SOME OF MY PERSONAL ASPECTS?
I HAVE A WONDERFUL APTITUDE AT SEEING POTENTIAL FAULTS IN OTHERS BEFORE THEY ARE AWARE OF THEM.
HAVE YOU CONSIDERED AN INITIATION OF DISCOVERING YOUR OWN FAULTS YET?
INCREDIBLY, I HAVE AN APTITUDE FOR OVERLOOKING THOSE.


Baker Street Chronicles
Number 019 – 08/15/2015
Fey, Kern, & Kern
HEY JOHN, HOW'S YOUR DAY BEEN?
ONE OF THE BEST SINCE I MOVED HERE, IGNACIUS… THINGS ARE BECOMING NORMAL…
UM, THAT MAY BE ABOUT TO CHANGE… YOU MAY NOT WANT TO LOOK…
GENTLEMEN, DO YOU LIKE MY DISGUISE ?
WAS THAT THING EVER ALIVE ??
I AM USING THIS TO FINALLY BREAK INTO MORIARTY'S PLAYGROUND LAIR. THE "NAPOLEON OF BULLIES" HAS MET HIS MATCH.
REMEMBER THE LAST TIME? YOU DRESSED AS NAPOLEON AND GOT IN SERIOUS TROUBLE.
NONSENSE, I HAVE LEARNED FROM MY PREVIOUS ENCOUNTER WITH MORIARTY… HE WILL NOT BEAT ME THIS TIME…
THIS IS NOT GOING TO END WELL AGAIN, IS IT?
WISH ME LUCK BOYS; FOR THE NEXT TIME YOU SEE ME, MORIARTY WILL BE MINE !
Some Time Later…
LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT… HE DRESSED UP AS NAPOLEON TO BEAT THE "NAPOLEON OF BULLIES…"
TRUST ME, IT APPEARS TO MAKE SENSE TO A NINE-YEAR OLD…
uh-oh, LOOKS LIKE THINGS DID NOT GO SO WELL…
IT WAS A TRAP, HE KNEW I WAS COMING… AS SOON AS I REACHED THE CHEMISTRY LAB, HE RELEASED THOSE INSCRUTABLE BEINGS ON ME..
INSCRUTABLE ?
HE CAN NOT MEAN…
THE CUDIES VIRUS, WATSON. I RAN FOR MY LIFE.. I HAD TO DITCH MY DISGUISE. I JUST HOPE SOME POOR SOUL DID NOT HAPPEN TO COME UPON IT…
OH NO… HOLMES…
THEY WERE EVERYWHERE… THE GIRLS… THEY SWARMED… ME… COULD NOT ESCAPE…
STAMFORD !? YOU PUT ON THE DISGUISE ?
WHAT IS WRONG WITH HIM ?
IT WAS WONDERFUL, SHERLOCK. I FELT LIKE I WAS IN HEAVEN !
IT'S WORSE THAN I THOUGHT ! HE IS DELIRIOUS ! I NEED TO CURE HIM AT ONCE !
CURE ?
SOMETHING ABOUT SYMBOLS, I THINK… CIRCLES AND DOTS, I RECALL…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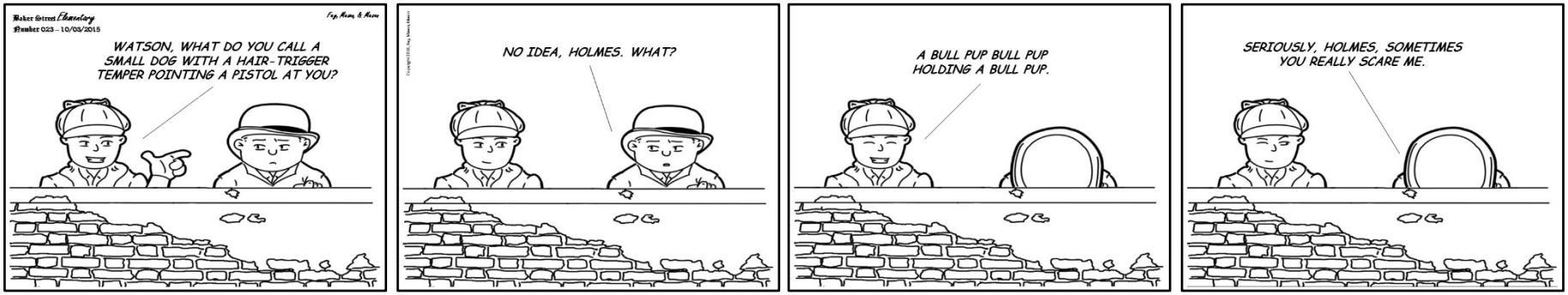
Number 021 – 09/18/2015
Fay, Mum, & Mum
WHAT PREPOSTEROUS FICTION ARE YOU FILLING YOUR BRAIN WITH NOW, WATSON?
The Scarlet Letter
I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW THIS IS AN AMERICAN MASTERPIECE, HOLMES.
THAT IS NO RECOMMENDATION, JAMES.
HOW MANY TIMES MUST I REMIND YOU, MY NAME IS JOHN!
REALLY? YOU LOOK MORE LIKE A JAMES TO ME.
WELL, ANYWAY, I GUESS I'LL LEAVE YOU ALONE, TO STUDY YOUR SCARLET.

Baker Street Elementary
Number 022 – 09/26/2015
Fay, Mum, & Mum
YES, MA'AM... MY DRAWING OF A MURDER SCENE IS SHOCKINGLY REALISTIC....
NO, I DID NOT FOLLOW YOUR RULES AND STAY WITHIN THE LINES WITH MY CRAYONS... ESPECIALLY THE BLOOD STAINS...
AS MY GREAT UNCLE BEFORE ME, I DO NOT FEEL COMPELLED TO FOLLOW THE CONVENTIONS OF DRAWING AND ARTISTIC TENETS...
I AM SURE THE HEADMASTER WILL APPRECIATE MY CREATIVITY... AND FREEDOM OF THOUGHT...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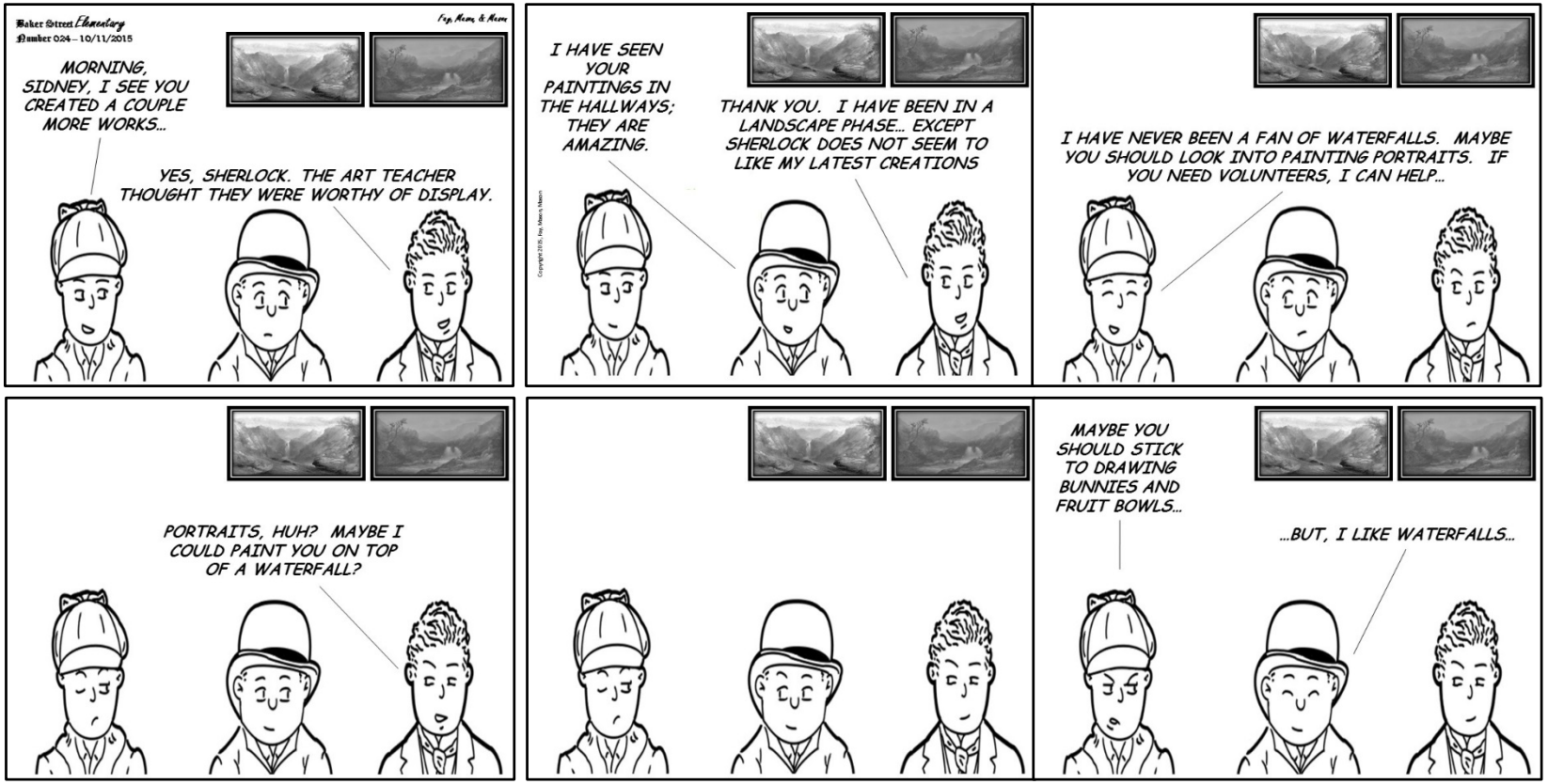
Fay, Mum, & Mum
WATSON, WHAT DO YOU CALL A SMALL DOG WITH A HAIR-TRIGGER TEMPER POINTING A PISTOL AT YOU?
NO IDEA, HOLMES. WHAT?
A BULL PUP BULL PUP HOLDING A BULL PUP.
SERIOUSLY, HOLMES, SOMETIMES YOU REALLY SCARE ME.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Number 024 – 10/11/2015
Fay, Mason, & Mason
MORNING, SIDNEY, I SEE YOU CREATED A COUPLE MORE WORKS…
YES, SHERLOCK. THE ART TEACHER THOUGHT THEY WERE WORTHY OF DISPLAY.
I HAVE SEEN YOUR PAINTINGS IN THE HALLWAYS; THEY ARE AMAZING.
THANK YOU. I HAVE BEEN IN A LANDSCAPE PHASE… EXCEPT SHERLOCK DOES NOT SEEM TO LIKE MY LATEST CREATIONS
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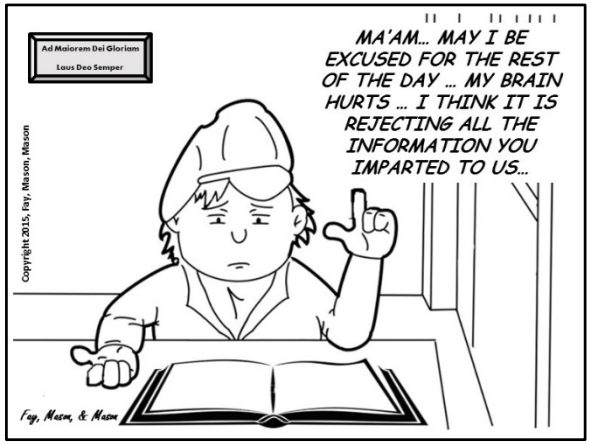
I HAVE NEVER BEEN A FAN OF WATERFALLS. MAYBE YOU SHOULD LOOK INTO PAINTING PORTRAITS. IF YOU NEED VOLUNTEERS, I CAN HELP…
PORTRAITS, HUH? MAYBE I COULD PAINT YOU ON TOP OF A WATERFALL?
MAYBE YOU SHOULD STICK TO DRAWING BUNNIES AND FRUIT BOWLS…
…BUT, I LIKE WATERFALLS…


Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam
Laus Deo Semper
MA'AM… MAY I BE EXCUSED FOR THE REST OF THE DAY … MY BRAIN HURTS … I THINK IT IS REJECTING ALL THE INFORMATION YOU IMPARTED TO US…
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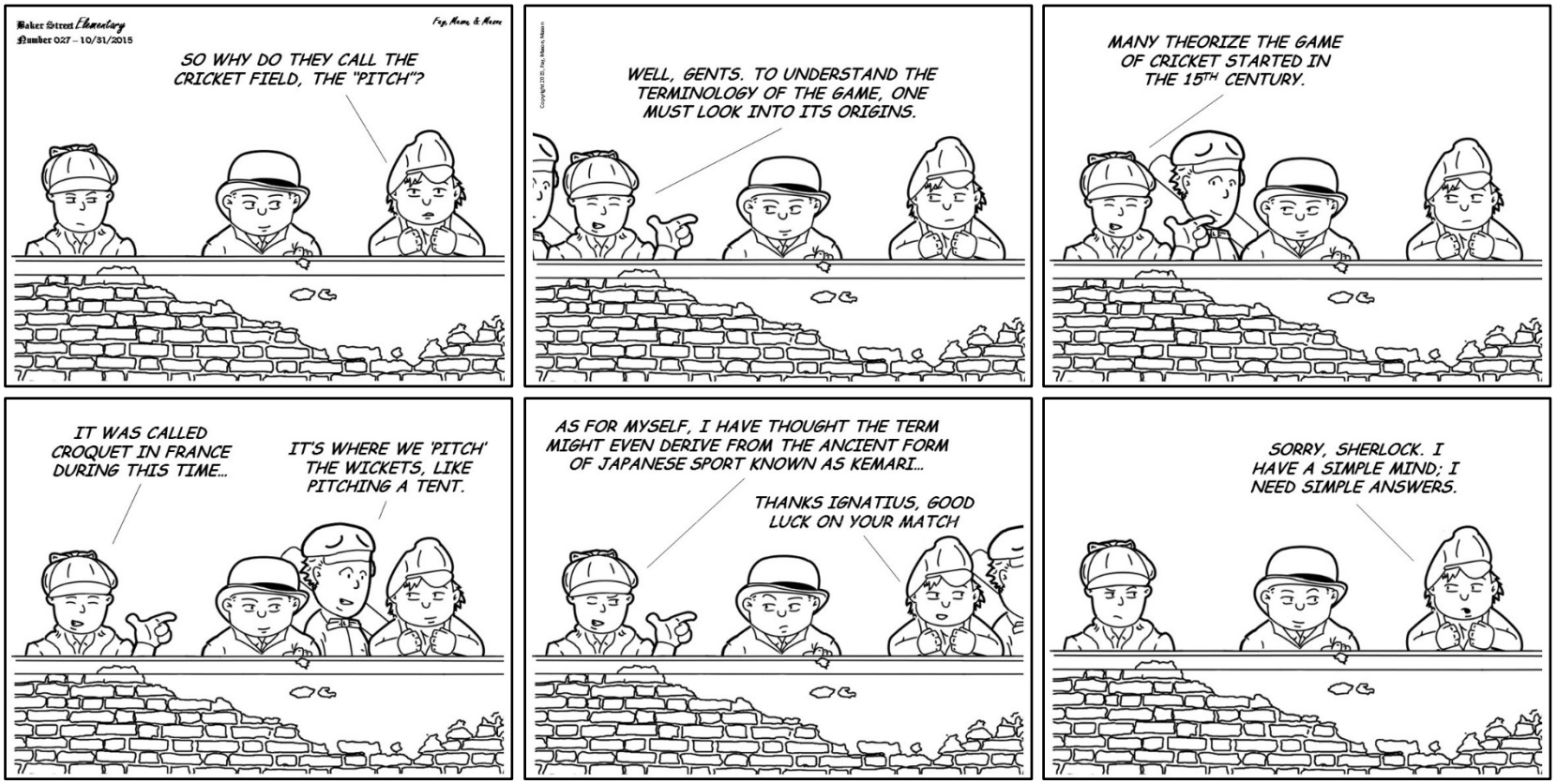
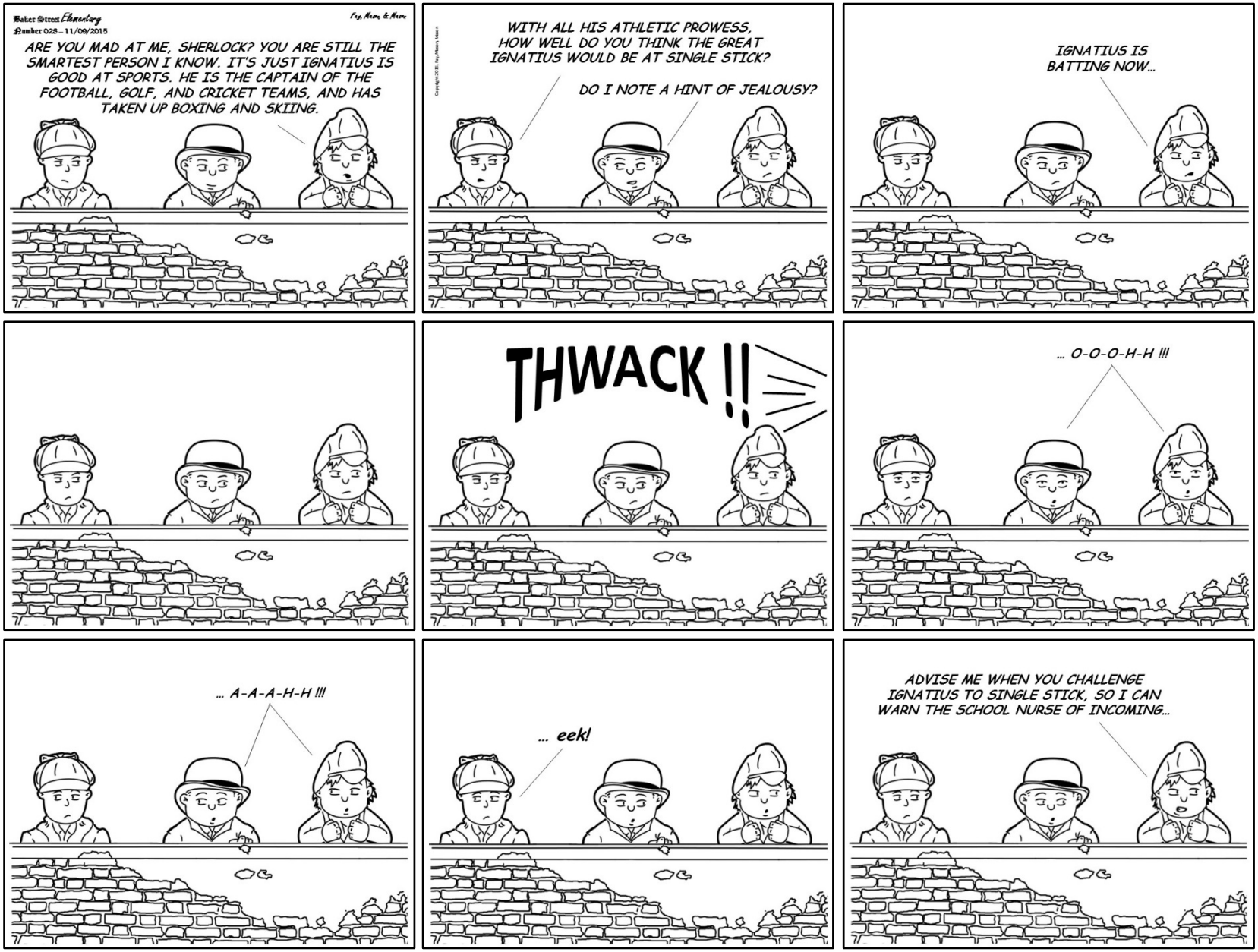
Baker Street Elementary
Number 026 – 10/25/2015
Fay, Mears & Mears
… AND THAT IS WHY SOME DAY WE WILL MOVE OUR CURRENCY TO A DECIMAL-BASED SYSTEM …
MY GOODNESS !! ARE WE EXPERIENCING AN EARTHQUAKE ??
… OR STAMPEDE … ??
HAVE YOU FOUND IT, WIGGINS ?
NO SIR, WE HAIN'T !
HOLMES, WHAT IS IT YOU ARE SEARCHING FOR ?
I AM ATTEMPTING TO FIND A COSTERMONGER, LOCATED IN SMITHFIELD, WHO WILL DELIVER TO SCHOOL.
SMITHFIELD ? THE MEAT MARKET ? ARE YOU NOT TERRIFIED OF THE WRATH OF THE LUNCH-LADY, IF SHE DISCOVERS YOUR MISSION ?
WATSON, MRS. HUDSON IS ONE OF THE FEW TREASURES AT THIS SCHOOL, BUT MYSTERY MEAT WILL BE THE DEATH OF ME.
NOW, OFF YOU GO, AND RETURN WITH A BETTER REPORT NEXT TIME.
THERE IS MORE WORK TO BE GAINED FROM THOSE LITTLE BEGGARS THAN A DOZEN HALL MONITORS.
HEY ! I AM MISSING MY JACKET BUTTONS !
BUTTONS ARE THE CURRENCY OF THE PLAYGROUND, WATSON. SORRY FOR NOT WARNING YOU. SOMEDAY, YOU WILL LEARN MY METHODS.
I BELIEVE I ALREADY DISLIKE YOUR METHODS.


Baker Street Elementary
Number 027 – 10/31/2015
Fog, Moon, & Moore
SO WHY DO THEY CALL THE CRICKET FIELD, THE "PITCH"?
WELL, GENTS. TO UNDERSTAND THE TERMINOLOGY OF THE GAME, ONE MUST LOOK INTO ITS ORIGINS.
MANY THEORIZE THE GAME OF CRICKET STARTED IN THE 15TH CENTURY.
IT WAS CALLED CROQUET IN FRANCE DURING THIS TIME…
IT'S WHERE WE 'PITCH' THE WICKETS, LIKE PITCHING A TENT.
AS FOR MYSELF, I HAVE THOUGHT THE TERM MIGHT EVEN DERIVE FROM THE ANCIENT FORM OF JAPANESE SPORT KNOWN AS KEMARI…
THANKS IGNATIUS, GOOD LUCK ON YOUR MATCH
SORRY, SHERLOCK. I HAVE A SIMPLE MIND; I NEED SIMPLE ANSWERS.

Baker Street Elementary
Number 030 – 11/22/2015
Fog, Moon, & Moore
MR. STAMFORD, I ASSUME YOU FINISHED THE DESCRIPTIVE PASSAGES IN DAVID COPPERFIELD BY MR. DICKENS…
HAVE YOU CONCLUDED ANYTHING ON HIS STYLE OF WRITING?
HE WAS GETTING PAID BY THE WORD ??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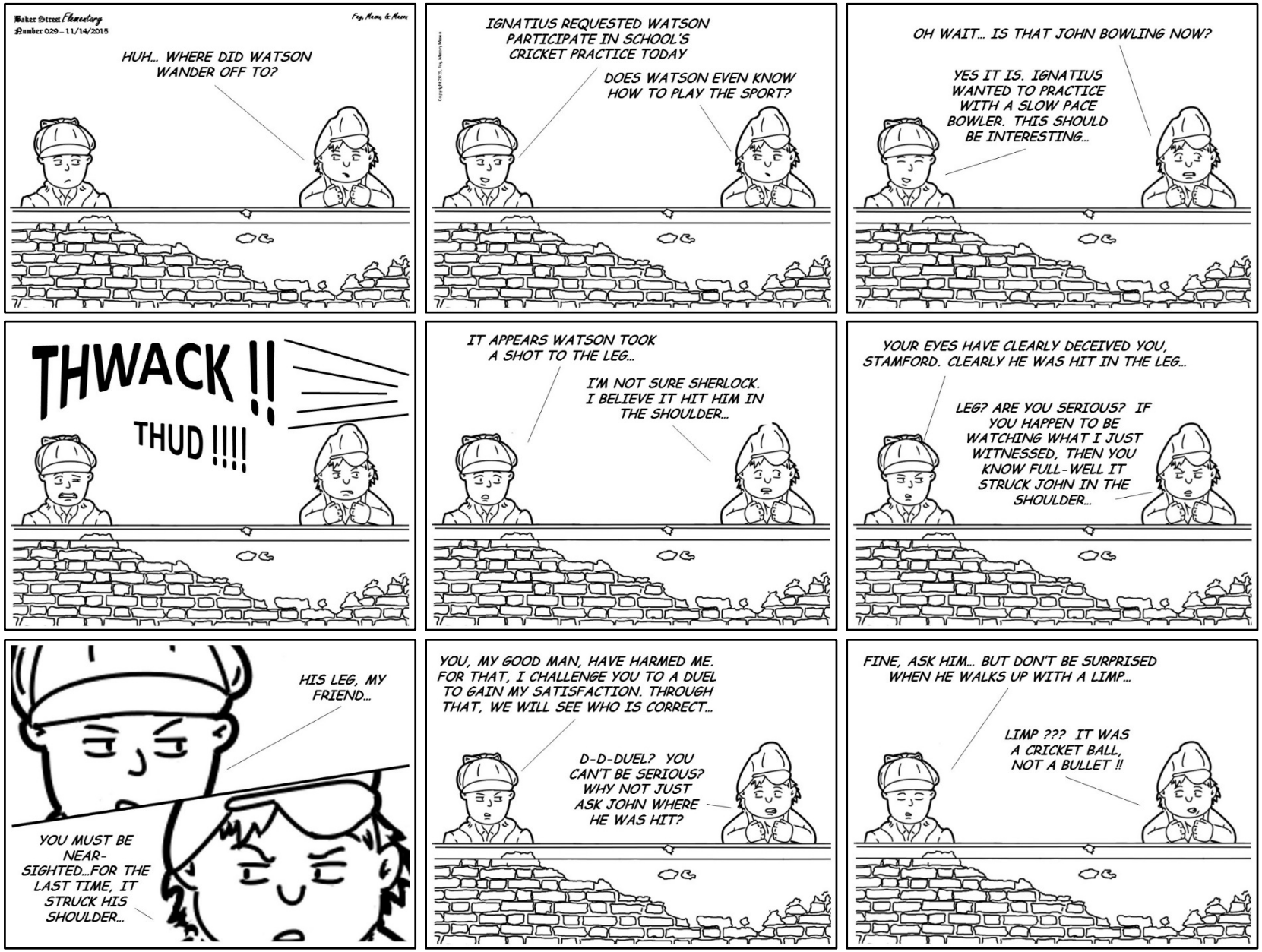
Number 028 – 11/09/2015
Fog, Mum, & Mum
ARE YOU MAD AT ME, SHERLOCK? YOU ARE STILL THE SMARTEST PERSON I KNOW. IT'S JUST IGNATIUS IS GOOD AT SPORTS. HE IS THE CAPTAIN OF THE FOOTBALL, GOLF, AND CRICKET TEAMS, AND HAS TAKEN UP BOXING AND SKIING.
WITH ALL HIS ATHLETIC PROWESS, HOW WELL DO YOU THINK THE GREAT IGNATIUS WOULD BE AT SINGLE STICK?
DO I NOTE A HINT OF JEALOUSY?
IGNATIUS IS BATTING NOW…
THWACK !!
… O-O-O-H-H !!!
… A-A-A-H-H !!!
… eek!
ADVISE ME WHEN YOU CHALLENGE IGNATIUS TO SINGLE STICK, SO I CAN WARN THE SCHOOL NURSE OF INCOMING…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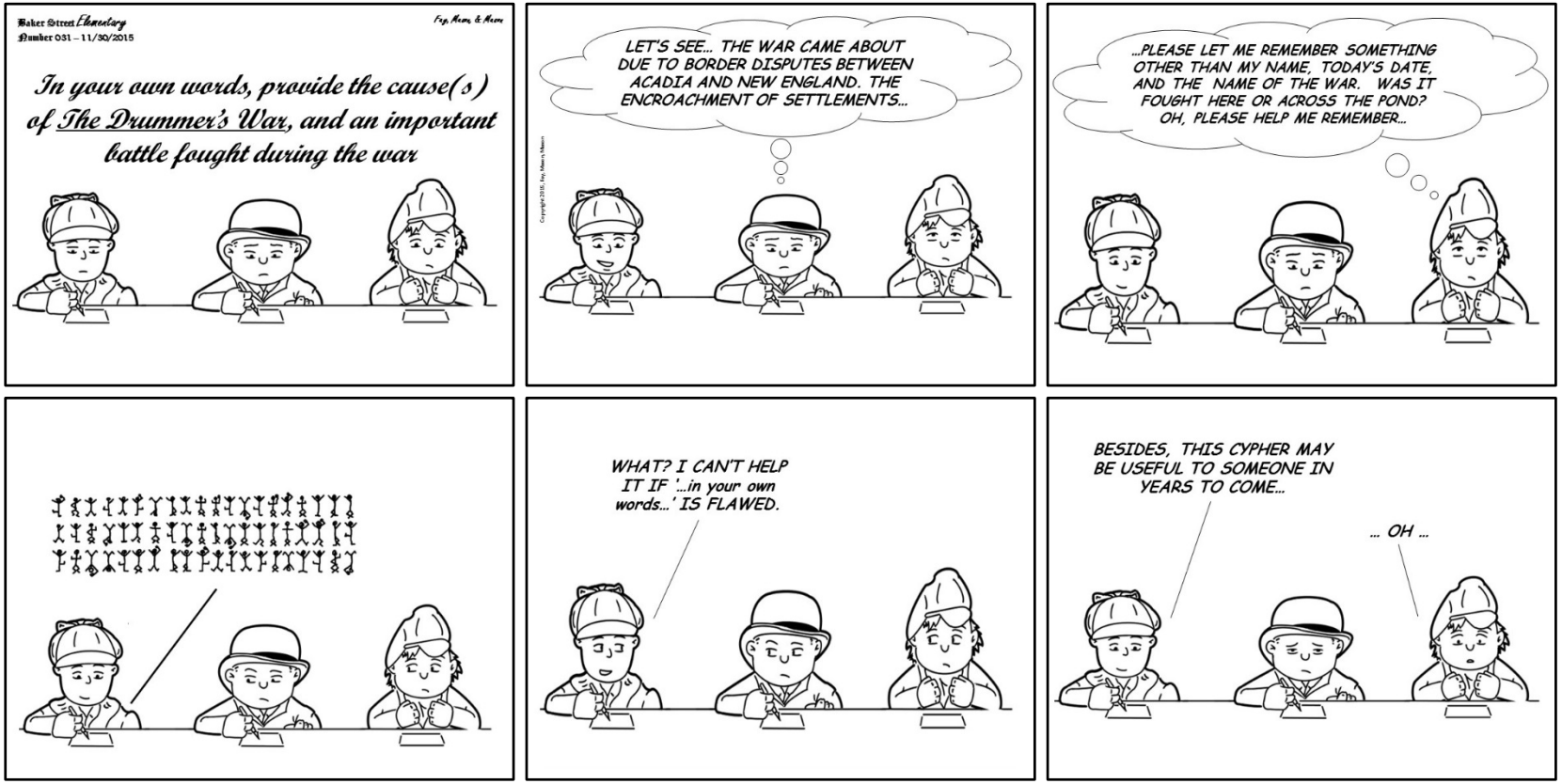
Number 029 – 11/14/2015
Fog, Mum, & Moore
HUH… WHERE DID WATSON WANDER OFF TO?
IGNATIUS REQUESTED WATSON PARTICIPATE IN SCHOOL'S CRICKET PRACTICE TODAY
DOES WATSON EVEN KNOW HOW TO PLAY THE SPORT?
OH WAIT… IS THAT JOHN BOWLING NOW?
YES IT IS. IGNATIUS WANTED TO PRACTICE WITH A SLOW PACE BOWLER. THIS SHOULD BE INTERESTING…
THWACK !!
THUD !!!!
IT APPEARS WATSON TOOK A SHOT TO THE LEG…
I'M NOT SURE SHERLOCK. I BELIEVE IT HIT HIM IN THE SHOULDER…
YOUR EYES HAVE CLEARLY DECEIVED YOU, STAMFORD. CLEARLY HE WAS HIT IN THE LEG…
LEG? ARE YOU SERIOUS? IF YOU HAPPEN TO BE WATCHING WHAT I JUST WITNESSED, THEN YOU KNOW FULL-WELL IT STRUCK JOHN IN THE SHOULDER…
HIS LEG, MY FRIEND…
YOU MUST BE NEAR-SIGHTED…FOR THE LAST TIME, IT STRUCK HIS SHOULDER…
YOU, MY GOOD MAN, HAVE HARMED ME. FOR THAT, I CHALLENGE YOU TO A DUEL TO GAIN MY SATISFACTION. THROUGH THAT, WE WILL SEE WHO IS CORRECT…
D-D-DUEL? YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS? WHY NOT JUST ASK JOHN WHERE HE WAS HIT?
FINE, ASK HIM… BUT DON'T BE SURPRISED WHEN HE WALKS UP WITH A LIMP…
LIMP ??? IT WAS A CRICKET BALL, NOT A BULLET !!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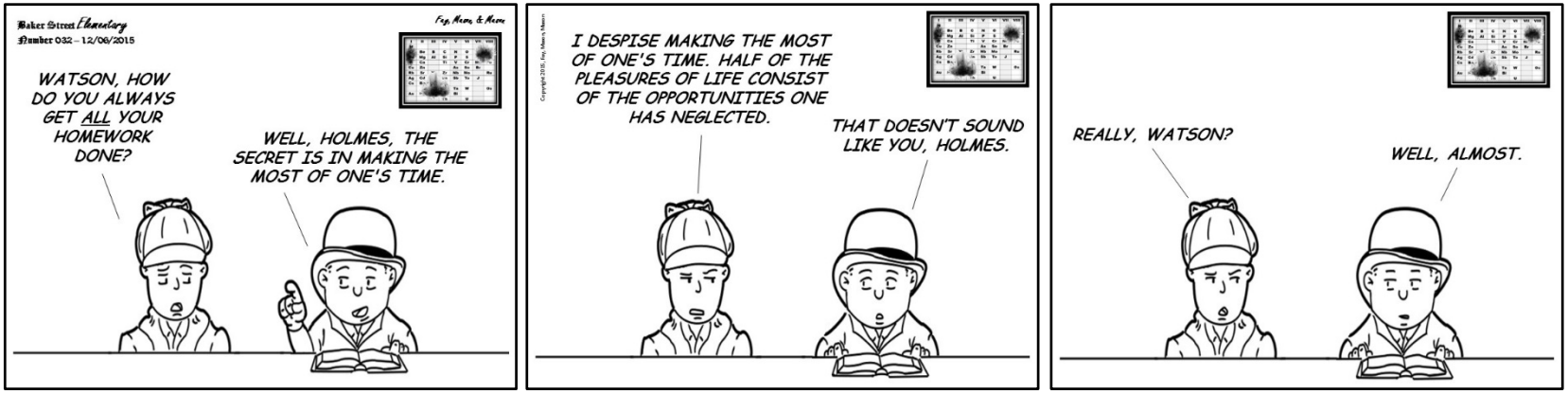
Fay, Mann, & Mann
In your own words, provide the cause(s) of The Drummer's War, and an important battle fought during the war
LET'S SEE... THE WAR CAME ABOUT DUE TO BORDER DISPUTES BETWEEN ACADIA AND NEW ENGLAND. THE ENCROACHMENT OF SETTLEMENTS...
...PLEASE LET ME REMEMBER SOMETHING OTHER THAN MY NAME, TODAY'S DATE, AND THE NAME OF THE WAR. WAS IT FOUGHT HERE OR ACROSS THE POND? OH, PLEASE HELP ME REMEMBER...
WHAT? I CAN'T HELP IT IF '...in your own words...' IS FLAWED.
BESIDES, THIS CYPHER MAY BE USEFUL TO SOMEONE IN YEARS TO COME...
... OH ...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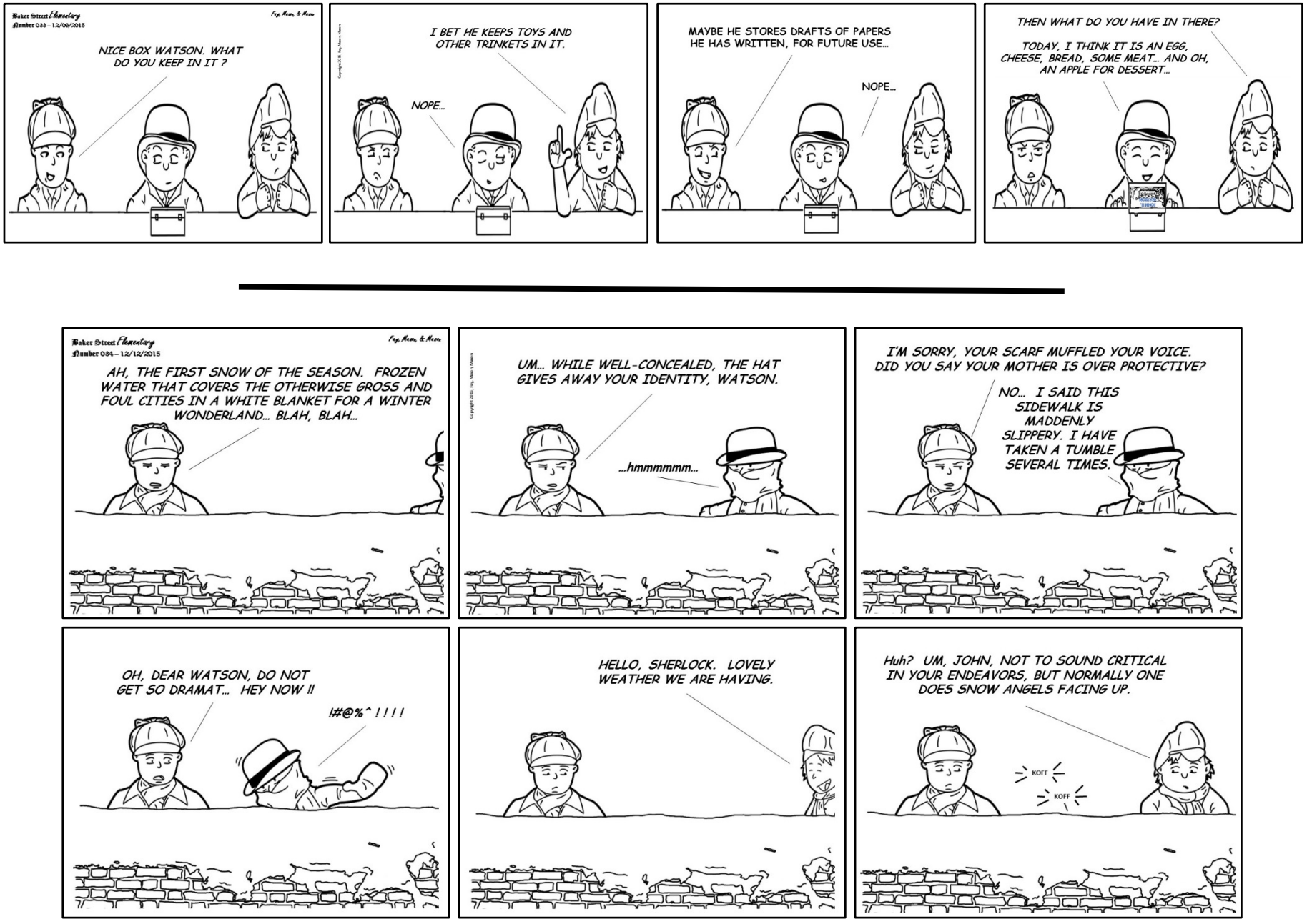
Fay, Mann, & Mann
WATSON, HOW DO YOU ALWAYS GET ALL YOUR HOMEWORK DONE?
WELL, HOLMES, THE SECRET IS IN MAKING THE MOST OF ONE'S TIME.
I DESPISE MAKING THE MOST OF ONE'S TIME. HALF OF THE PLEASURES OF LIFE CONSIST OF THE OPPORTUNITIES ONE HAS NEGLECTED.
THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE YOU, HOLMES.
REALLY, WATSON?
WELL, ALMOST.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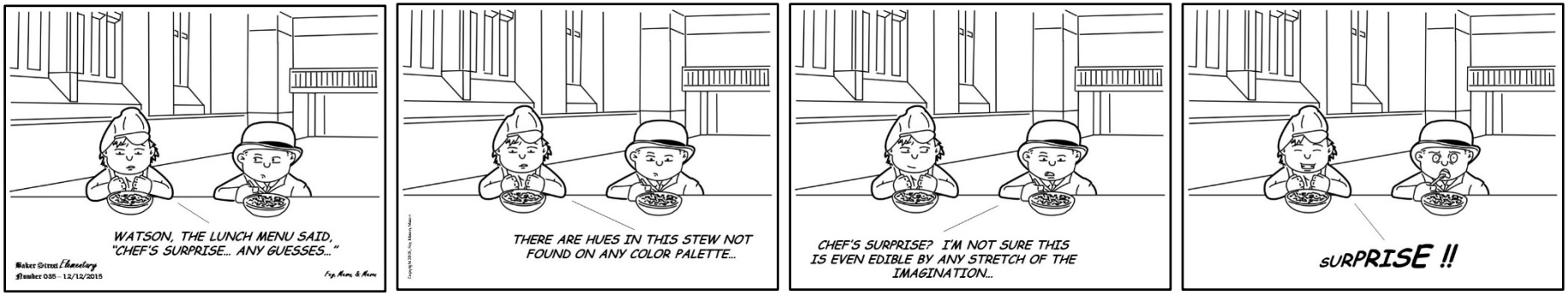
Number 033 – 12/06/2015
Fay, Mann, & Mann
NICE BOX WATSON. WHAT DO YOU KEEP IN IT ?
I BET HE KEEPS TOYS AND OTHER TRINKETS IN IT.
NOPE...
MAYBE HE STORES DRAFTS OF PAPERS HE HAS WRITTEN, FOR FUTURE USE...
NOPE...
THEN WHAT DO YOU HAVE IN THERE?
TODAY, I THINK IT IS AN EGG, CHEESE, BREAD, SOME MEAT.. AND OH, AN APPLE FOR DESSERT...
Baker Street Elementary
Number 034 – 12/12/2015
Fay, Mann, & Mann
AH, THE FIRST SNOW OF THE SEASON. FROZEN WATER THAT COVERS THE OTHERWISE GROSS AND FOUL CITIES IN A WHITE BLANKET FOR A WINTER WONDERLAND... BLAH, BLAH...
UM... WHILE WELL-CONCEALED, THE HAT GIVES AWAY YOUR IDENTITY, WATSON.
...hmmmmmm...
I'M SORRY, YOUR SCARF MUFFLED YOUR VOICE. DID YOU SAY YOUR MOTHER IS OVER PROTECTIVE?
NO... I SAID THIS SIDEWALK IS MADDENLY SLIPPERY. I HAVE TAKEN A TUMBLE SEVERAL TIMES.
OH, DEAR WATSON, DO NOT GET SO DRAMAT... HEY NOW !!
!#@%^!!!!
HELLO, SHERLOCK. LOVELY WEATHER WE ARE HAVING.
Huh? UM, JOHN, NOT TO SOUND CRITICAL IN YOUR ENDEAVORS, BUT NORMALLY ONE DOES SNOW ANGELS FACING UP.
KOFF
KOFF


WATSON, THE LUNCH MENU SAID, "CHEF'S SURPRISE… ANY GUESSES…"
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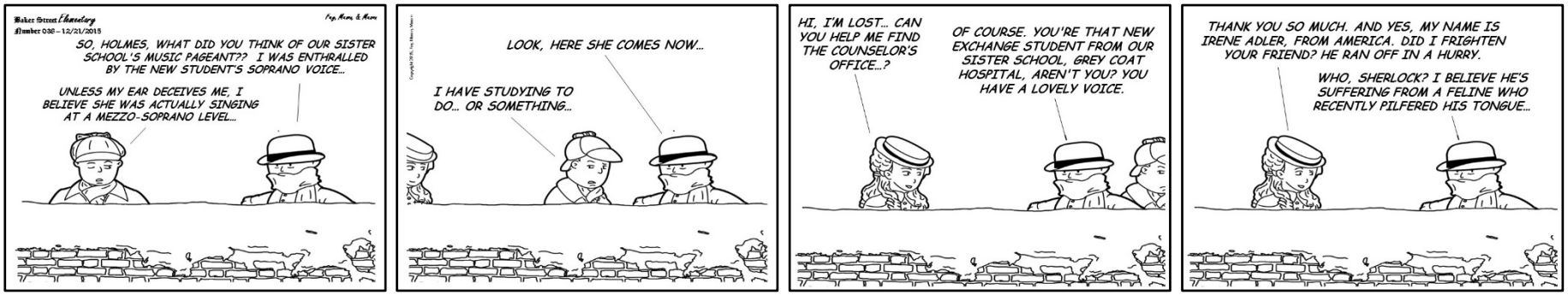
Number 035 – 12/12/2015
Fog, Mum, & Mum
THERE ARE HUES IN THIS STEW NOT FOUND ON ANY COLOR PALETTE…
CHEF'S SURPRISE? I'M NOT SURE THIS IS EVEN EDIBLE BY ANY STRETCH OF THE IMAGINATION…
SURPRISE !!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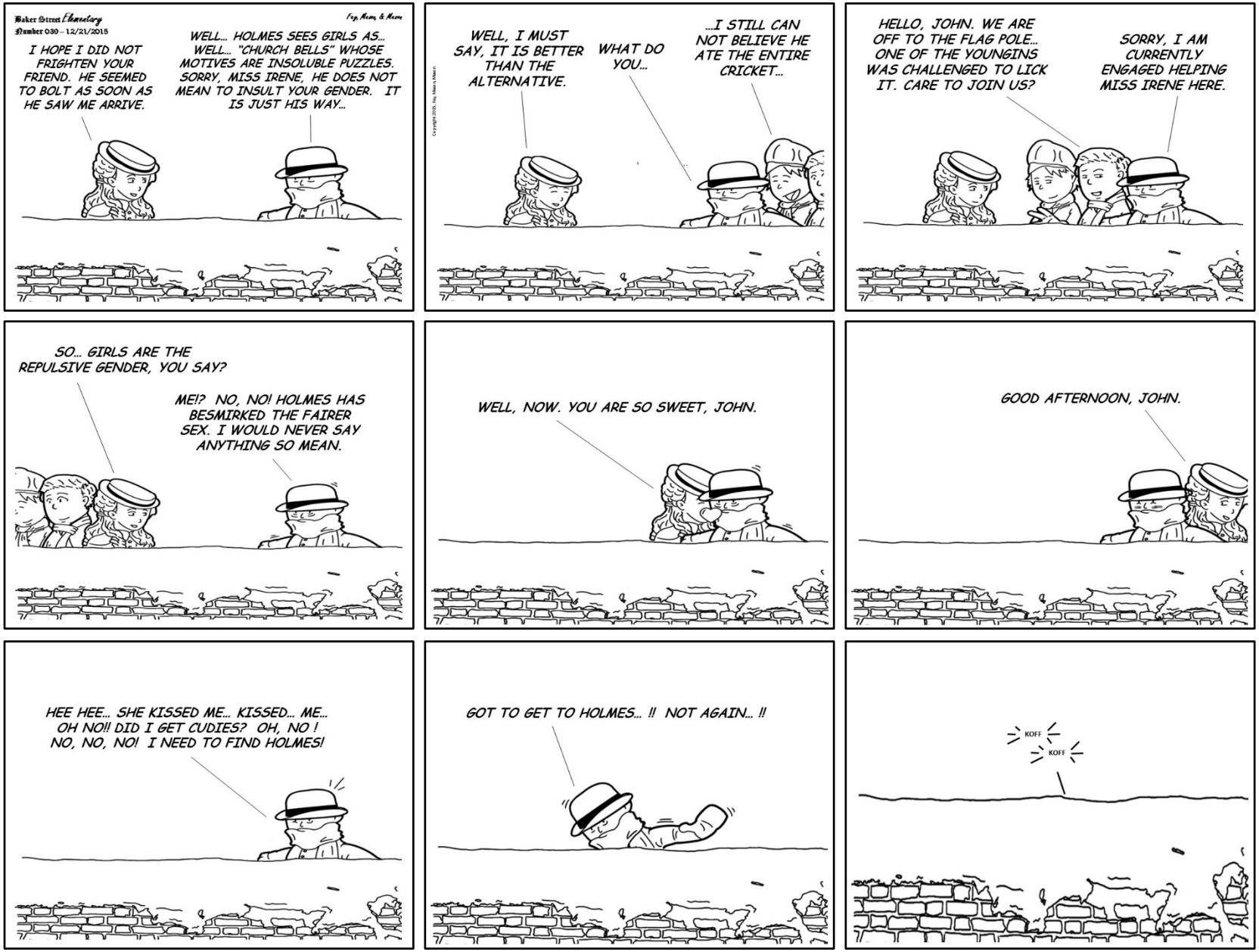
Number 036 – 12/21/2015
Fog, Mum, & Mum
SO, HOLMES, WHAT DID YOU THINK OF OUR SISTER SCHOOL'S MUSIC PAGEANT?? I WAS ENTHRALLED BY THE NEW STUDENT'S SOPRANO VOICE…
UNLESS MY EAR DECEIVES ME, I BELIEVE SHE WAS ACTUALLY SINGING AT A MEZZO-SOPRANO LEVEL…
LOOK, HERE SHE COMES NOW…
I HAVE STUDYING TO DO… OR SOMETHING…
HI, I'M LOST… CAN YOU HELP ME FIND THE COUNSELOR'S OFFICE…?
OF COURSE. YOU'RE THAT NEW EXCHANGE STUDENT FROM OUR SISTER SCHOOL, GREY COAT HOSPITAL, AREN'T YOU? YOU HAVE A LOVELY VOICE.
THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND YES, MY NAME IS IRENE ADLER, FROM AMERICA. DID I FRIGHTEN YOUR FRIEND? HE RAN OFF IN A HURRY.
WHO, SHERLOCK? I BELIEVE HE'S SUFFERING FROM A FELINE WHO RECENTLY PILFERED HIS TONGUE…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Number 039 – 12/21/2015
Pop, Mom, & More
I HOPE I DID NOT FRIGHTEN YOUR FRIEND. HE SEEMED TO BOLT AS SOON AS HE SAW ME ARRIVE.
WELL… HOLMES SEES GIRLS AS… WELL… "CHURCH BELLS" WHOSE MOTIVES ARE INSOLUBLE PUZZLES. SORRY, MISS IRENE, HE DOES NOT MEAN TO INSULT YOUR GENDER. IT IS JUST HIS WAY…
WELL, I MUST SAY, IT IS BETTER THAN THE ALTERNATIVE.
WHAT DO YOU…
…I STILL CAN NOT BELIEVE HE ATE THE ENTIRE CRICKET…
HELLO, JOHN. WE ARE OFF TO THE FLAG POLE… ONE OF THE YOUNGINS WAS CHALLENGED TO LICK IT. CARE TO JOIN US?
SORRY, I AM CURRENTLY ENGAGED HELPING MISS IRENE HERE.
SO… GIRLS ARE THE REPULSIVE GENDER, YOU SAY?
ME!? NO, NO! HOLMES HAS BESMIRKED THE FAIRER SEX. I WOULD NEVER SAY ANYTHING SO MEAN.
WELL, NOW. YOU ARE SO SWEET, JOHN.
GOOD AFTERNOON, JOHN.
HEE HEE… SHE KISSED ME… KISSED… ME… OH NO!! DID I GET CUDIES? OH, NO ! NO, NO, NO! I NEED TO FIND HOLMES!
GOT TO GET TO HOLMES… !! NOT AGAIN… !!
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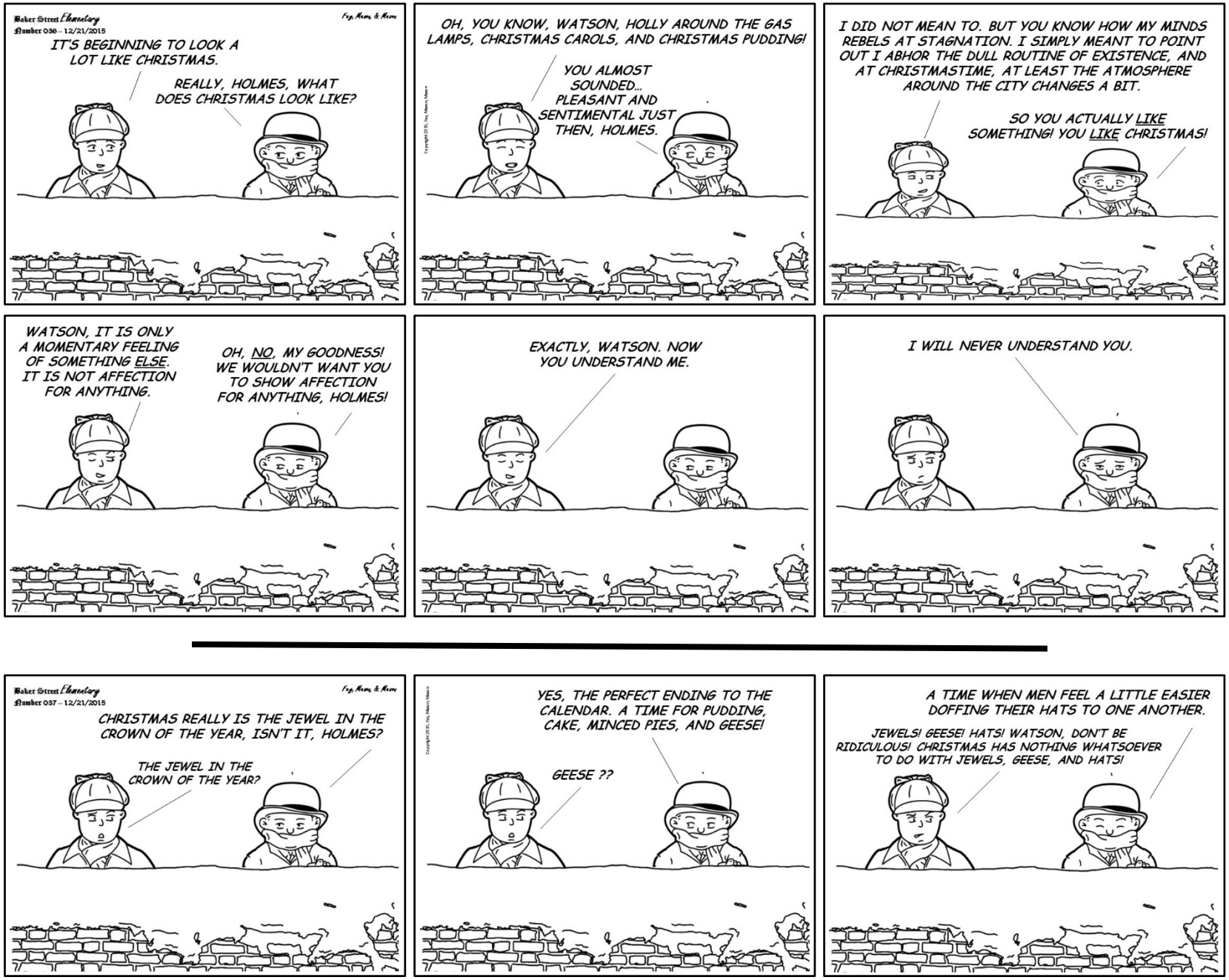
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Number 036 – 12/21/2015
Fog, Mum, & Murr
IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS.
REALLY, HOLMES, WHAT DOES CHRISTMAS LOOK LIKE?
OH, YOU KNOW, WATSON, HOLLY AROUND THE GAS LAMPS, CHRISTMAS CAROLS, AND CHRISTMAS PUDDING!
YOU ALMOST SOUNDED… PLEASANT AND SENTIMENTAL JUST THEN, HOLMES.
I DID NOT MEAN TO. BUT YOU KNOW HOW MY MINDS REBELS AT STAGNATION. I SIMPLY MEANT TO POINT OUT I ABHOR THE DULL ROUTINE OF EXISTENCE, AND AT CHRISTMASTIME, AT LEAST THE ATMOSPHERE AROUND THE CITY CHANGES A BIT.
SO YOU ACTUALLY LIKE SOMETHING! YOU LIKE CHRISTMAS!
WATSON, IT IS ONLY A MOMENTARY FEELING OF SOMETHING ELSE. IT IS NOT AFFECTION FOR ANYTHING.
OH, NO, MY GOODNESS! WE WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO SHOW AFFECTION FOR ANYTHING, HOLMES!
EXACTLY, WATSON. NOW YOU UNDERSTAND ME.
I WILL NEVER UNDERSTAND YOU.
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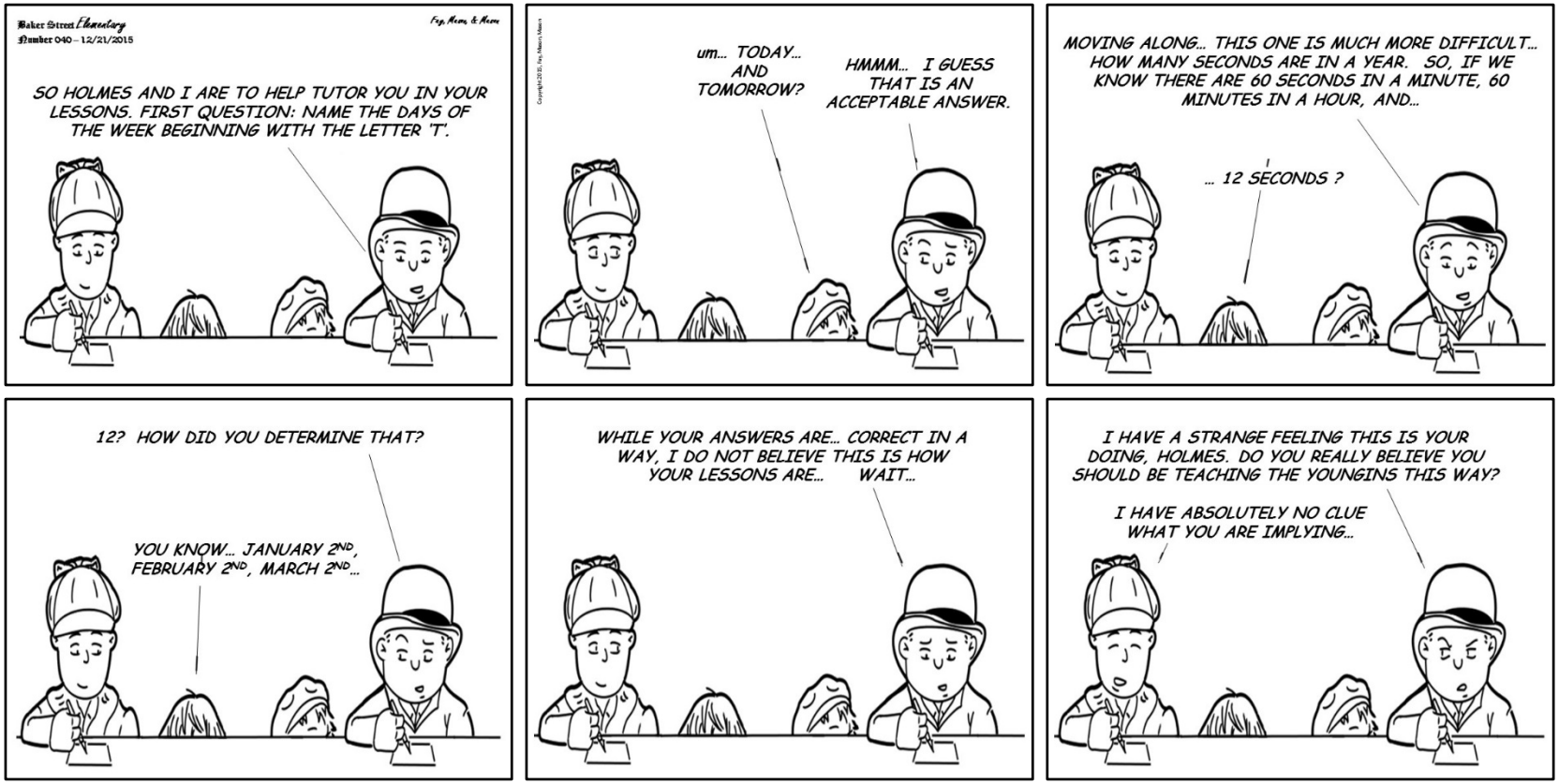
Number 037 – 12/21/2015
Fog, Mum, & Murr
CHRISTMAS REALLY IS THE JEWEL IN THE CROWN OF THE YEAR, ISN'T IT, HOLMES?
THE JEWEL IN THE CROWN OF THE YEAR?
YES, THE PERFECT ENDING TO THE CALENDAR. A TIME FOR PUDDING, CAKE, MINCED PIES, AND GEESE!
GEESE ??
A TIME WHEN MEN FEEL A LITTLE EASIER DOFFING THEIR HATS TO ONE ANOTHER.
JEWELS! GEESE! HATS! WATSON, DON'T BE RIDICULOUS! CHRISTMAS HAS NOTHING WHATSOEVER TO DO WITH JEWELS, GEESE, AND HATS!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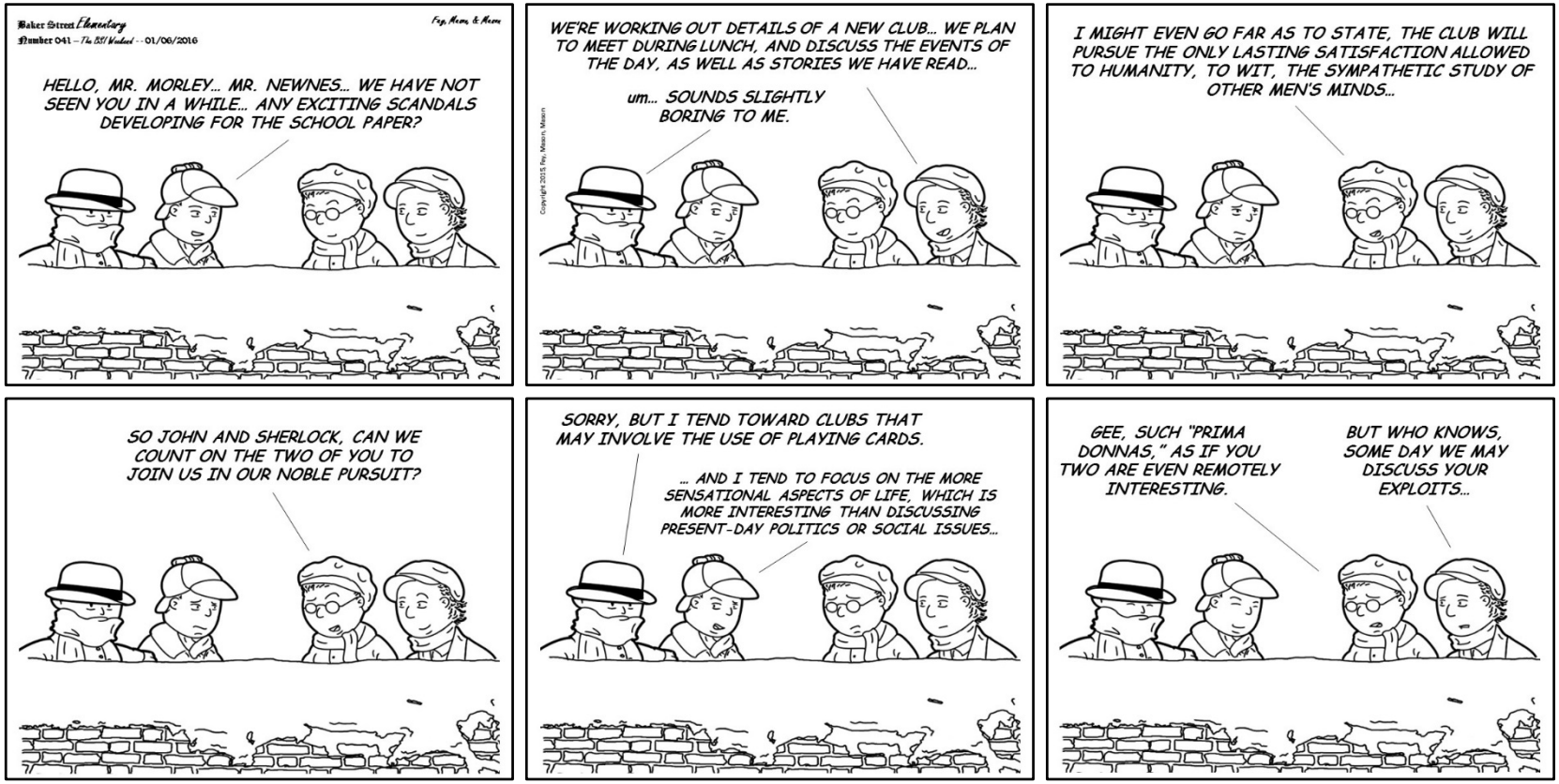
Number 040 – 12/21/2015
Fay, Mesne, & Mesne
SO HOLMES AND I ARE TO HELP TUTOR YOU IN YOUR LESSONS. FIRST QUESTION: NAME THE DAYS OF THE WEEK BEGINNING WITH THE LETTER 'T'.
um... TODAY... AND TOMORROW?
HMMM... I GUESS THAT IS AN ACCEPTABLE ANSWER.
MOVING ALONG... THIS ONE IS MUCH MORE DIFFICULT... HOW MANY SECONDS ARE IN A YEAR. SO, IF WE KNOW THERE ARE 60 SECONDS IN A MINUTE, 60 MINUTES IN A HOUR, AND...
... 12 SECONDS ?
12? HOW DID YOU DETERMINE THAT?
YOU KNOW... JANUARY 2ND, FEBRUARY 2ND, MARCH 2ND...
WHILE YOUR ANSWERS ARE... CORRECT IN A WAY, I DO NOT BELIEVE THIS IS HOW YOUR LESSONS ARE... WAIT...
I HAVE A STRANGE FEELING THIS IS YOUR DOING, HOLMES. DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE YOU SHOULD BE TEACHING THE YOUNGINS THIS WAY?
I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO CLUE WHAT YOU ARE IMPLYING...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HELLO, MR. MORLEY... MR. NEWNES... WE HAVE NOT SEEN YOU IN A WHILE... ANY EXCITING SCANDALS DEVELOPING FOR THE SCHOOL PAPER?
WE'RE WORKING OUT DETAILS OF A NEW CLUB... WE PLAN TO MEET DURING LUNCH, AND DISCUSS THE EVENTS OF THE DAY, AS WELL AS STORIES WE HAVE READ...
um... SOUNDS SLIGHTLY BORING TO ME.
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I MIGHT EVEN GO FAR AS TO STATE, THE CLUB WILL PURSUE THE ONLY LASTING SATISFACTION ALLOWED TO HUMANITY, TO WIT, THE SYMPATHETIC STUDY OF OTHER MEN'S MINDS...
SO JOHN AND SHERLOCK, CAN WE COUNT ON THE TWO OF YOU TO JOIN US IN OUR NOBLE PURSUIT?
SORRY, BUT I TEND TOWARD CLUBS THAT MAY INVOLVE THE USE OF PLAYING CARDS.
... AND I TEND TO FOCUS ON THE MORE SENSATIONAL ASPECTS OF LIFE, WHICH IS MORE INTERESTING THAN DISCUSSING PRESENT-DAY POLITICS OR SOCIAL ISSUES...
GEE, SUCH "PRIMA DONNAS," AS IF YOU TWO ARE EVEN REMOTELY INTERESTING.
BUT WHO KNOWS, SOME DAY WE MAY DISCUSS YOUR EXPLOITS...