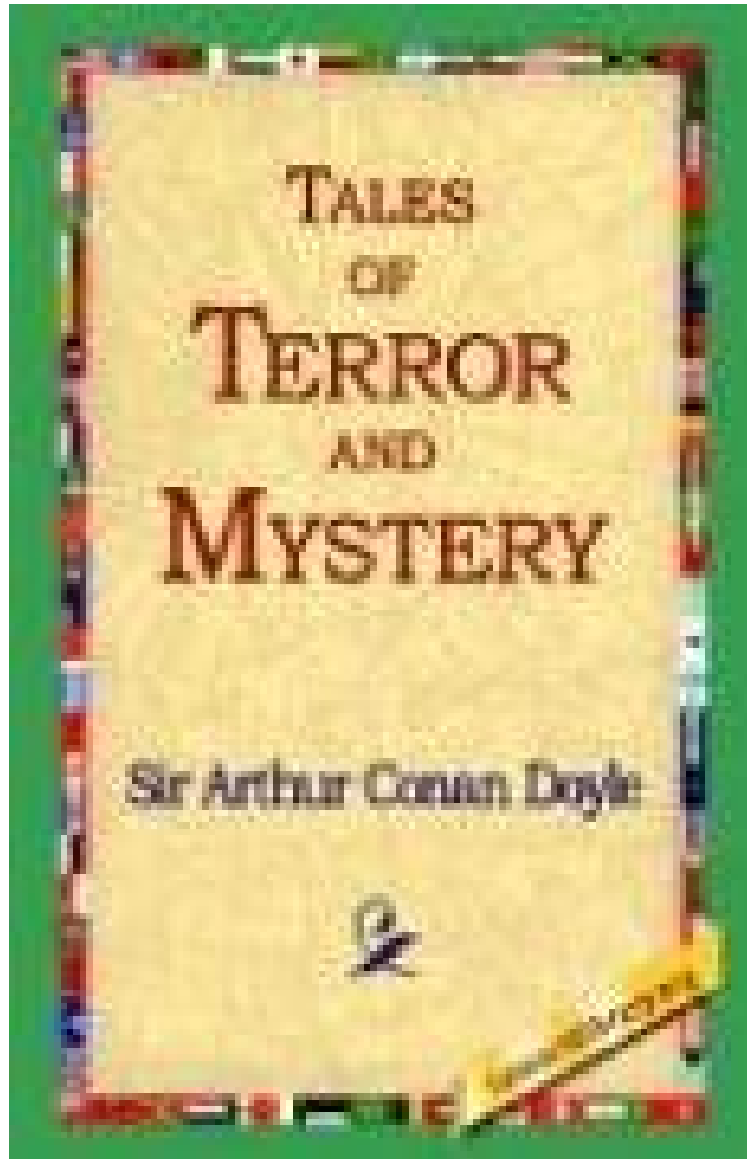


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Arthur Conan Doyle : Tales of Terror and Mystery before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Tales of Terror and Mystery:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Save yourself over \$10 by buying this book of tales from the author of "Sherlock Holmes" rather than via separate purchases!By Don KidwellBook includes the twelve tales:1) Horror of the Heights2) The Leather Funnel3) The New Catacomb4) The Case of Lady Sannox5) The Terror of Blue John Gap6)

The Brazilian Cat7) The Lost Special8) The Beetle-Hunter9) The Man With the Watches10) The Japanned Box11) The Black Doctor12) The Jew's Breast-Plate

While one illustration at the beginning of each story is nothing to write home about, at least it provided some basis to locate a story of interest by matter of a break point since this book was sorely lacking handy links from the table of contents to otherwise access said story quickly in any order you choose. My favorite of the twelve was "The Black Doctor" for the ease of which the tale flowed and the intrigue as to how the identity of the murdered man was eventually revealed. As a precursor to the widely popular Sherlock Holmes character the tales of mystery really do remind one of Sherlock Holmes. Book is in need of better formatting as well, but I can't complain about the price since each tale if sold individually is 99 cents a piece, so short of buying the public domain ebook I clearly saved a bundle on some fine works by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle!

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good, a little dated

By Susan E. To me, this doesn't hold a candle to the Homes stories, but these are fun if you like Conan Doyle. I think a lot of these stories or plot-lines have been done again and again (probably after Conan Doyle wrote them), so they lose some of their surprise or excitement. But these are a definite enjoyable read,

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Old fashioned thrillers for discerning readers....

By L. Villa

I never got to read other short stories by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle when I was younger as I was totally hooked on Sherlock Holmes as a child and did not really look for other books he had written. I am very happy to acquire this compilation of stories. Though very old-fashioned in tone and writing style, the stories do grip your imagination. It may drag a bit for those not used to the classic writers of the past as there is a lot more descriptive writing than what normally passes for today's fiction. But the nice thing is that the stories are original in their idea and not derivative as so many are today. Some very nice surprises in this collection.

The idea that the extraordinary narrative which has been called the Joyce-Armstrong Fragment is an elaborate practical joke evolved by some unknown person, cursed by a perverted and sinister sense of humour, has now been abandoned by all who have examined the matter. The most macabre and imagi-native of plotters would hesitate before linking his morbid fancies with the unquestioned and tragic facts which reinforce the statement. Though the assertions contained in it are amazing and even monstrous, it is none the less forcing itself upon the general intelligence that they are true, and that we must readjust our ideas to the new situation. This world of ours appears to be separated by a slight and precarious margin of safety from a most singular and unexpected danger. I will endeavour in this narrative, which reproduces the original document in its necessarily somewhat fragmentary form, to lay before the reader the whole of the facts up to date, prefacing my statement by saying that, if there be any who doubt the narrative of Joyce-Armstrong, there can be no question at all as to the facts concerning Lieutenant Myrtle, R. N., and Mr. Hay Connor, who undoubtedly met their end in the manner described.

"Start a story by Conan Doyle and you cannot stop reading, whether you are ten or sixty." - Michael Dirda

About the Author

Sir Arthur Ignatius Conan Doyle DL (22 May 1859 7 July 1930) was a Scottish physician and writer, most noted for his stories about the detective Sherlock Holmes, generally considered a milestone in the field of crime fiction, and for the adventures of Professor Challenger. He was a prolific writer whose other works include science fiction stories, plays, romances, poetry, non-fiction and historical novels.