Chapter 1: The Strange Man’s Arrival

A mysterious stranger arrives at the inn owned by Mrs Hall. He agrees to pay rent at par with the peak-season rates. His identity could not be ascertained because he was covered from head to toe in bandages. In addition to this, he discourages any enquiries by his hostess and also dissuades her from polite conversation. This strange opening sets the pace of the mystery to follow.

Summary

One cold day in the month of February came the stranger, wrapped from head to toe. Every inch of his face was hidden, except the shiny tip of his nose. He came to the inn ‘Coach and Horses’, and wanted a room with fire in it for warmth. He gave Mrs Hall two sovereigns. She now saw to it that the guest is looked after well. She asked for his clothes, his coat and hat but the stranger did not part with them. Mrs Hall, the innkeeper, brought his lunch prepared by her. She laid it on the table for him.

Mrs Hall could hear him eat his lunch, behind the closed door. She had brought his coat, and had a close look at his face, which was covered with bandages all over, not a bit of his face was exposed, except the pink nose. Moreover, the stranger had covered his face with a table napkin which he held in his gloved hands. All this was too much for Mrs Hall. When, she came to clean the table, she was told that his luggage lay at Bramblehurst station and requested her to get it from there. Mrs Hall told him that it could be brought only the next day.

He remained in the parlour till four o’clock.

Chapter 2: Mr. Teddy Henfrey’s First Impressions

Mrs Hall seeks the clock-jobber’s assistance to enter the stranger’s room on the pretext of getting the clock fixed. The clock-jobber tries to engage the strange man in a conversation but is snubbed at once. Feeling sheepish, he leaves. On his way back, he meets Mrs Hall and sows the seeds of suspicion in her mind about the stranger.
Summary

Teddy Henfrey was a clock-jobber, and Mrs Hall wanted the clock in the parlour to be set right. Its hour-hand wasn’t moving.

When Mrs Hall led the clock-jobber into the parlour, she found the stranger in the armchair with his head drooping on one side. In the dim light of the fire glow, it appeared that he had an enormous mouth, wide open. The man suddenly got up with a jerk and held his muffler to his face first as he had held a napkin to cover his face.

Mrs Hall brought a lamp, along with her came Teddy. The stranger asked for some tea after the clock-mending was over. He also inquired about his luggage. He was told it would arrive the next day.

She was told that the luggage was important to him, as he was a scientist and the bags contained apparatus and appliances. An accident had made him so and he needed solitude and retirement. Mr Henfrey worked on the clock very slowly, hoping to strike a conversation with the stranger. He was snubbed by him, after which he finished his job and left feeling annoyed. He also felt the police might want the stranger. Henfrey met Mr Hall and gave a description of the disguised stranger, whose name also was not known yet.

Mrs Hall asked her husband why he had been away for so long. Mr Hall wanted the luggage of the stranger to be observed closely. Mrs Hall asked him to stay away, but in her heart she had her doubt which she kept to herself and tried to behave normally.

Chapter 3: The Thousand and One Bottles

Introduction

The story moves further with little incidents indicating the stranger’s appearance to be hollow and dark. The stranger’s luggage arrives at the inn. The stranger’s leg is attacked by a growling dog. Mr Hall tries to help but is shoved aside. Strange rumors start about the stranger in Iping with people making wild guesses at his identity.

Summary

The stranger’s luggage arrives at the inn. A number of crates are in the cart, some of them containing bottles packed in straw. When the stranger comes down to help with the boxes the cartman’s dog begins to growl. The dog jumps and tears open the trouser leg. At this, he quickly goes back into his room.

Mr Hall goes to the stranger’s room to enquire if he was injured. He leaves at once. He had seen something frightful and peculiar. The stranger appears once again, his trousers changed to give orders for the rest of his luggage. The six crates are unpacked to yield bottles which are arranged at different places in the room and the parlour. Mrs Hall enters to find him without his glasses. His eyes seem hollow. She complains about the straw on the floor. At this the stranger asks her to put it in the bill, and asks her to knock before entering his room. Mrs Hall advises him to lock the door. He works behind the locked door all afternoon.

Mrs Hall could hear him grunting with dissatisfaction. Sound of a bottle being broken is heard. When she takes tea for him and notices the broken glass and stains all over, she is told...
Chapter 4: Mr Cuss Interviews the Stranger

Introduction

The villagers are absorbed in making wild guesses at the identity of the stranger. Cuss, the general practitioner visits him to confirm his doubts. He enters the stranger's room on the pretext of asking for subscription for the nurse fund. He finds the stranger sniffing. He tries to draw the stranger's attention but he tweaks his nose. The doctor rushes to the vicarage to narrate his experience to Bunting, the vicar. The vicar initially laughs but later on takes the whole incident very seriously.

Summary

The stranger remains engrossed in his work till April end. There are tiffs with Mrs Hall. Whenever she voices her disapproval about anything he has done, he silences her with extra payment. He hardly ever goes out during the day. But every night, whatever the weather, he is fully covered and out for a stroll. He becomes the talk of the town. People find him a suspicious character. Mrs Hall defends him calling him an ‘experimental investigator’. The general view of the people is that he is a criminal trying to escape from the law. Mr Gould feels he was an anarchist preparing explosives.

One group felt he could make a lot of money, if he came out in public as he was piebald. But his secrecy is disliked by all. The young mock him, children make fun of him calling him the 'Bogey man'.

All this aroused the curiosity of the general practitioner, Cuss who manages an interview with the stranger. The stranger, inadvertently takes out his hand from his pocket and Cuss is able to see the empty sleeve upto the elbow. When asked, the stranger laughs and extends the empty sleeve to pinch the nose of Cuss. This frightens Cuss and he leaves to tell his story to Bunting, the Vicar.

Chapter 5: The Burglary at the Vicarage

Introduction

The vicar and his wife hear sounds of a break-in at the vicarage. They try to nab the thief but find no one. They hear sneezing, see a candle burning and some money missing but are unable to see the culprit.

Summary

When Mrs Bunting, the vicar's wife, heard the sound of someone walking barefeet through her house, she wakes up. She wakes up her husband. They both see and hear; a candle lit and papers shuffled in the study. On hearing the clinking sound of money, Rev. Bunting rushes into the study with a poker in his hand. But the room is empty, or it appears to be so. Money has
disappeared. The next moment, they hear the sound of a sneeze in the hallway, but no one is visible. As they search everywhere, the kitchen door is slammed. Sound of bolts is also heard. The back door of the kitchen was heard opening. But no one really could be seen in body and flesh. All that Dr Cuss had told him appeared to be true after all.

Chapter 6: The Furniture That Went Mad

Introduction

Around the time of the burglary at the vicarage, the Halls notice their unbolted main door and find their guest absent from his room. When they examine closely, they find the furniture and other things in the room to be possessed. Mrs Hall suspects that her guest has conjured up ghosts. When they seek their neighbour's help, the stranger reappears mysteriously and becomes quite aggressive and also refuses to account for his absence or for the strange happenings in his room.

Summary

It was Whit Monday and the Halls got up very early in the morning. They had some work in the wine cellar. As they passed the guest room, Mr Hall noticed that the door was open. Later he saw the bolts were open, he remembered having shut them in the night. All his clothes were scattered here and there but the guest was not in the room. As they were investigating, the bedclothes suddenly seemed to have gathered into a bundle and are tossed over the bottom rail. A chair is hurled towards Mrs Hall. Its legs almost rest against her back sending her out of the room. The door is slammed and shut behind them. The Halls feel the stranger is a spirit. They call Sandy Wadgers, blacksmith, who is also an exorcist. Wadgers and Huxter (store owner) think of the possibility of witchcraft and think of breaking open the door. However, when they were still thinking, the door opened and the stranger wrapped as usual, came out. He distracts them from entering the parlour and slams the door against them. When Mr Hall raps on the door demanding an explanation, the stranger tells him to go to the devil and shuts the door after him.

Chapter 7: The Unveiling of the Stranger

Introduction

The next day Mrs Hall purposely does not bring meals to the stranger. She demands dues when he complains. Enraged, he removes his wrappings to reveal his invisible face. People get scared and run for cover and soon the village is engulfed in an uproar. Mr Hall returns with a policeman to get the stranger arrested for the burglary at the vicarage. The stranger however manages to escape by making himself completely invisible by removing all bits of clothing on his body.

Summary

All morning, the stranger remained locked in the parlour. He rang his bell a number of times, but Mrs Hall did not answer it. He came out about noon and wanted to know why his
meals were not sent to him. Mrs Hall told him about his unpaid bills for five days. He tells Mrs Hall, his remittance was soon to arrive, which is not accepted by her. When he does offer some money, she refuses it saying, why did not he enter by the door and move about normally.

At this the stranger gets irritated and removes all his covering including his nose and moustache. He now appears like a person without a head. Hearing the sound of screams, a number of people run towards the inn. People who had witnessed the man attacking the servant, narrate stories. Bobby Jaffers, the village constable comes with a warrant.

The stranger first slaps Jaffers with his gloved hand, then says he would surrender, but does not accept being handcuffed. As everyone watches, the stranger removes all his clothes and becomes invisible in front of them. Jaffers wants to take him for interrogation and also charge him for robbing the Buntings. There is a fight and the stranger who is the 'Invisible Man' escapes.

**Chapter 8: In Transit**

**Summary**

This is a very short chapter, where Gibbons, a naturalist is relaxing out on the downs. He hears someone coughing, sneezing and swearing. Frightened, he gets up and runs home.

**Chapter 9: Mr Thomas Marvel**

**Introduction**

Thomas Marvel, a local tramp, meets the stranger, now known as the Invisible Man. He finds it hard to believe in this strange phenomenon. The invisible man convinces him about the immense power of invisibility. Out of fear, Marvel agrees to assist him.

**Summary**

Marvel is an eccentric bachelor. He is the local tramp who likes to take his time with everything and wants to be comfortable. He comes across a pair of boots in a ditch. He tries them but finds them too big. He is occupied with the boots, when he hears a voice behind him. Marvel talks about the boots, then turns around to find no one there.

Marvel thinks he has drunk too much, or his imagination was playing tricks. The invisible man starts throwing things at him to convince him that he was a reality, and not just imagination. Finally Marvel is convinced that he was real and needed help to be given food, shelter and water. Marvel is warned of dire consequences if betrayed.

**Chapter 10: Mr Marvel’s Visit to Iping**

**Introduction**

Inspite of the queer events of the day, Iping is engrossed in a festive spirit. Marvel, on being forced by the invisible man, enters the ‘Coach and Horses’ inn. He is seen emerging from
the inn with a bundle and some books. An alarm is raised and people chase him. However he is saved when the invisible man obstructs the path of the chasing men.

**Summary**

Iping has almost regained its relaxed holiday atmosphere. Very few people had come in contact with the invisible man. People in general soon dismiss him as a figment of an idle mind’s imagination.

Around 4 pm, Mr Marvel comes to the town and Mr Huxter finds him rather peculiar. Mr Marvel quite unwillingly makes his way down the street. He seems to undergo a lot of mental struggle before entering Coach and Horses. He has a drink and behaves as though nothing had happened. Soon he goes into the yard and reappears with a bundle wrapped in a tablecloth. Huxter tries to follow thinking a robbery has taken place, but suddenly trips and goes sprawling.

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**Chapter 11: In the ‘Coach and Horses’**

**Introduction**

This chapter describes the events when Marvel enters the inn. Inside the parlour, Cuss and Bunting are examining the possessions of the Invisible Man. Marvel opens the door of the parlour to help the Invisible Man get into the parlour. Marvel leaves, sees Cuss and Bunting with his possessions and threatens them for intruding into his privacy.

**Summary**

In order to make the reader understand the happenings inside ‘Coach and Horses; the narrator takes us back in the story.

Mr Bunting and Mr Cuss are going through the belongings of the ‘Invisible Man’. They were in the parlour. They come upon three large books on which ‘Diary’ was written. Whatever was written was in code so they do not understand it.

Suddenly, the door of the inn opened and Mr Marvel came in. They do not pay any attention to him and keep studying the books again, just then an unseen person held them and started pounding their heads on the table and kept asking them what they were doing with his things. The man asks for his clothes, books and belongings.

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**Chapter 12: The Invisible Man Loses His Temper**

**Introduction**

This chapter deals with the scene at the bar while the Invisible Man intimidates Cuss and Bunting inside the parlour compelling them to give his three books and all other possessions. When Marvel is seen escaping with the books and bundle handed to him by the Invisible Man, an alarm is raised. People chase Marvel only to be impeded by the Invisible Man who ravages the village before leaving.
Summary

Mr Hall and Teddy Hensley are busy in a discussion behind the hotel bar, when they hear a thumping sound on the parlour door. They hear strange conversation and sounds of things being thrown against the door. Doors open and shut and Marvel can be seen going after Huxter, trying to get him. Huxter, suddenly takes a complicated leap in the air. Next moment, Hall falls on the ground as though he had been hit by a football player.

A number of other people are pushed aside or sent sprawling in the street. Mr Cuss shouts for help. He tells people that the 'Man' has all of the Vicar's clothes. All the windows in the 'Coach and Horses' are broken, a chair is hurled out through the parlour window of another man's house. After creating so much confusion, the invisible man disappears from Iping.

Chapter 13: Mr Marvel Discusses His Resignation

Introduction

The invisible man threatens to kill Marvel whom he suspects of trying to escape. The tramp pleads innocence and asks to be let off. However, his request is ignored and the two of them walk to Bramblehurst.

Summary

Under the force of a strong grip on his shoulder and verbal threats from the Invisible Man, Mr Marvel arrived in Bramblehurst. Marvel tries to explain and free himself from the situation, but is not successful. The Invisible Man is bent on making use of this fat, red-faced little man as he needs a normal man to carry his books.

Marvel is weak and afraid of the strength of the Invisible Man. He knows that the invisible man was cruel enough to kill him if he did not carry out his orders.

Chapter 14: At Port Stowe

Introduction

Marvel meets a mariner at Port Stowe, who tells him of the various reports about the Invisible Man. Marvel is enthralled and wants to tell about this first-hand experience with the Invisible Man. He is intervened by the invisible man and retracts by saying that the story seems to be a hoax. This angers the mariner. Before Marvel could cause further damage, the invisible man forces Marvel to leave. Later, the mariner hears about the other things and wonders.

Summary

Mr Marvel was waiting on a bench in Port Stowe the next morning. He was dirty and unshaven. An elderly mariner carrying a newspaper came out of the inn and sat beside him. The sailor greeted him. The mariner heard the sound of coins inside the pocket of Marvel, though he was moneyless.
The mariner reads the story of the Invisible Man in the newspaper. He believes it to be true as there were names and details. According to him, the Invisible man could make a great thief as nobody could see him.

Marvel looks around to make sure if the Invisible Man was anywhere around. He wanted to tell that he knew the Invisible Man. The Invisible man starts hurting Marvel in order to silence him.

He quickly tries to cover it up saying that the story about the Invisible Man was all hoax and leaves the place.

The mariner is annoyed at Marvel for letting him speak about the man. Later stories of robberies are heard where people saw money just floating away. He realised what had happened on the bench in Port Stowe and how close he had been to the Invisible Man.

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**Chapter 15: The Man Who Was Running**

**Introduction**

Dr Kemp, a scientist, ridicules the rumours about the invisible man. One day, while sitting in the study, he sees Marvel running towards Burdock. The people in the town lock themselves indoors when Marvel warns them of the approaching Invisible Man.

**Summary**

Dr Kemp is shown overlooking the Burdock town from his study. The whole of his study is full of science paraphernalia. Therefore he looks out of the window. From the window, Kemp sees a man running down into the town, wearing a shabby hat. Kemp thought this man was also perhaps foolish enough to be afraid of the invisible man. Kemp is endowed with a scientific mind so he does not believe in an Invisible Man.

But it seemed the man running away was terrified enough. The Invisible Man was chasing the man who was running.

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**Chapter 16: In the ‘Jolly Cricketers’**

**Introduction**

The Invisible Man chases Marvel who takes refuge in the ‘Jolly Cricketers’ inn. An American customer produces a revolver ensuring Marvel of safety but the invisible man manages to get inside the inn. Another scuffle takes place inside the inn; however the invisible man fails to drag out Marvel. The American fires gunshots after the receding Invisible Man.

**Summary**

The Jolly Cricketers is a building with a bar, where a number of people have gathered and are busy talking among themselves.

In the meantime, Marvel bursts through the door into the pub, making a lot of noise. He shouts for help and tells that the Invisible Man was after him. Suddenly, the doors and windows are broken in, indicating that the Invisible Man was definitely there.
Chapter 17: Dr Kemp's Visitor

Introduction

Dr Kemp hears the gunshots and wonders what the whole ruckus is about. However, he goes to bed and gets up early in the morning discovering the presence of the Invisible Man in his room. He finds out that the Invisible Man is Griffin, his junior medical student at the University. Griffin narrates his story to Kemp. Seeing him exhausted, Kemp allows him to sleep in his room.

Summary

Dr Kemp was busy thinking and noting down his speculations. Suddenly there is noise of exchange of fire in the ‘cricketers', which disrupts his thought. There is a crowd gathered there. He is again interrupted by the doorbell. But the servant does not find anyone at the door.

At 2 o'clock, Dr Kemp decides to take a break from his work and goes down for a drink. On his way, he notices blood stream on the floor. On opening the bedroom, he hears movement, sees bloody bandages. All this makes him feel eerie, though he is not superstitious. He even hears his name called out and feels that he should not become too anxious and loses his nerve.

The Invisible Man introduces himself as Griffin from Kemp's college days. An Albino, he had won medal for chemistry. He was wounded and needed help. Dr Kemp offers whisky, clothes and cigar. Griffin takes the glass of whisky which appears to be suspended in air. His clothes appear to be floating in the air. On smoking the cigar, the smoke outlines his mouth and throat.

Griffin, the Invisible Man needs help as his partner had stolen his money and he was wounded severely. He told Dr Kemp that he would narrate his story later, as he was too tired.

Chapter 18: The Invisible Man Sleeps

Introduction

Kemp assures Griffin of safety and allows him to sleep peacefully. However, Griffin, out of habit and fear, looks for possible escape routes before going to sleep. Kemp is amazed at knowing the identity of the invisible man and decides to examine the newspapers to update himself of the information about the invisible man. Going through all the newspaper clippings, Kemp decides that Griffin was turning into a maniac and it was best to hand him to the police. Thus, early in the morning he sends for the police chief of Burdock, Colonel Adye.
Summary

Dr Kemp promises not to turn Griffin in. The Invisible Man checks the bedroom door and makes sure everything is secure. After this, Griffin goes to sleep.

On the other hand, Kemp, whose bedroom had been taken by Griffin is unable to sleep. He keeps worrying about his sanity; if his senses were intact.

Kemp tries going through that day’s newspaper. The highlight was news about a dangerous Invisible Man.

Fearing, Griffin might become more unstable and dangerous, he decides to write a note to Colonel Adye. Griffin wakes up. He starts his day with a bad temper. He starts throwing furniture around. Kemp hurriedly goes up and locks the door.

Chapter 19: Certain First Principles

Introduction

Over breakfast, Griffin discusses his discovery and shares the details of invisibility with him. He had carried out various experiments after leaving college. To overcome his financial crunch, he stole his father’s money. When the money goes missing, his father is accused of stealing the money. The money belonged to someone else and his father was accused of stealing the money. As a consequence, his honest father killed himself to save embarrassment for failing to return the money to the real owner. Griffin, however, justified his actions towards the betterment of science and his discovery. He held no remorse for his actions.

Summary

Kemp notices Griffin’s behaviour. He was very short-tempered and threw things. Kemp wants to understand him and wants to know his background.

Griffin was in the medical college at the same time when Kemp was a student there. Griffin was more interested in light, so he shifted over to Physics. He came up with a theory of invisibility and wanted to test it.

Griffin had left London University College six years ago. He went to Chesilstone to study. He wanted to continue with his research on invisibility. His biggest problem was his Professor Oliver, who was a journalist by instinct, a thief of ideas and always prying. Griffin did not wish to publish his ideas fearing Oliver might get the credit.

Griffin did all his research work alone. One night, he was finally able to conclude how to make a human invisible. He wanted to try it on himself to escape from his present shabby situation.

After three years of research and teaching he had no money to complete his research work. He robbed his father. Embarrassed at being called a thief (The money belonged to someone else), his father had committed suicide by shooting himself.
Chapter 20: At the House in Great Portland Street

Introduction

Griffin found a place to live in. He reached his apartment after his father's funeral. Now he experimented on a cat. Griffin finished his own treatment. He tried to experiment on himself and became invisible. He could see others and no one could see him, this made him imagine all sorts of wonderful things he could do in the cover of his invisibility.

Summary

Griffin narrates his story further and tells Kemp how he proceeded with his research after finishing his duties as a son. He started by experimenting on a cat and was quite successful. Eventually the landlord, hearing all the strange sounds in his room asks him to evict. Griffin was left with no alternative since his funds had also extinguished. He was in heavy debt and the only feasible option seemed to be turning invisible. To wipe out his trail, he set fire to the place. However, before leaving, he forwarded all his letters and important research material to a house of call for letters in Great Portland Street.

Chapter 21: In Oxford Street

Introduction

Griffin recounts his experiences after having set ablaze his lodgings. He talks about his struggles to come to terms with situations created by his invisible status.

Summary

Griffin starts narrating his own experience of being invisible.

It was not just that he could accomplish anything wonderful by being invisible, invisibility had its own drawbacks as well.

People ran into him and stepped on him. To make matters worse, though people could not see him with their eyes, dogs could smell him as they have a keen sense of smell.

Also, he could not eat food in front of anyone as food was visible till it got completely digested in his system.

Chapter 22: In the Emporium

Introduction

Griffin describes how he took shelter in an emporium for the night. He describes his experiences when discovered by the staff in the morning. He describes how invisibility helped him in escaping and how he had to forgo all his clothing to remain invisible.
Summary

Griffin narrated his experience when he first went to get clothing for himself. He went into the Omniums. It was night time and he got a complete set of clothes, had food and went off to sleep in a pile of soft down quilts.

He kept sleeping till the morning crew came. It was difficult for him to escape as long as he was clothed as he could be seen. Finally to avoid being discovered, he was forced to take off his clothes and run naked out into the cold.

Chapter 23: In Drury Lane

Introduction

Griffin goes to a costumer for theatre and tries to get things that will help him to assume a credible figure. However he fails in his plan because of the alert shop-owner. He knocks down the man and after disguising himself goes into the city. It is here that he realises the bitter truth. Though invisibility helped him obtain impossible things, it did not let him enjoy what he had got. He finally understands that though invisibility was a boon, to enjoy the benefits it was important to be able to regain visibility too. Finally he decides to move to some countryside and experiment ways to regain visibility.

Summary

Griffin was now without any clothes, nor did he have any shelter.

Very soon he realised, if he kept walking on the streets of London, he could become visible in a hideous way, as the onlookers would be able to see the dirt on his skin after sometime.

He finally found a pile of old clothes, when he was able to explore a house.

When he became fed up, he struck the old man at the shop. He had gone there to find clothes and other things to assume a credible figure in desperation. After reaching the restaurant he realised he could not eat without exposing himself. He came to Ippeg and was finally discovered there.

Chapter 24: The Plan That Failed

Introduction

Griffin shares his plan to go to southern Europe or North Africa where the heat would keep him invisible forever. Meanwhile Kemp sees Colonel Adye and two other men approaching his house. Griffin fails to notice this as he was busy lamenting the loss of his books and his life to Kemp. He asks Kemp to help him establish a reign of terror. At this point, Adye and the two men enter the house. Griffin realises that he had been betrayed. Somehow, he manages to escape.
Summary

While explaining things to Dr Kemp, Griffin reveals his plan and the consequences its impact would create. Griffin considers the idea that Kemp could work with him. He feels that with Kemp as his confederate and with aid of his invisibility, they would be able to establish a reign of terror. But Kemp has his own plan. When Kemp’s plan is known to Griffin, he feels betrayed. Kemp had already planned to hand over Griffin to the police. Griffin quickly begins to disrobe even as Kemp springs to the door and attempts to lock him in. The whole effort goes wasted when a key is dropped.

There are two policemen in the hall. Inspite of their presence, Griffin escapes past them unnoticed.

Chapter 25: The Hunting of the Invisible Man

Introduction

An extensive search operation is suggested by Kemp to capture the Invisible Man. He realises the terror the invisible man was capable of unleashing and the threat to the society. He decides not to leave any loopholes for the ruthless man to escape yet again.

Summary

Kemp being a man of conscience informs the police of Griffin’s intentions of creating disorder and terror among the public.

In order to trap Griffin, they talk of using dogs, so that they can sniff Griffin out and his presence can be detected easily. Putting powdered glass in the streets is also tried.

They leave no stone unturned to trap Griffin. No means of escape is possible for him now.

Chapter 26: The Wicksteed Murder

Introduction

Griffin proceeds to Hintondean where in a fit of rage, he murders Mr Wicksteed, Lord Burdock’s steward. After this, he lies low while the efforts to trace him are in full swing. This incident filled Griffin with remorse because he was heard groaning, sobbing, wailing and laughed at by the people.

Summary

The whole machinery is set to nab Griffin. Griffin appears to rush towards Dr Kemp’s house. It is 2 o’clock in the afternoon and the whole countryside around Burdock has been put to action.

There is a warning from the police, asking all the people to remain inside, lock their doors and stay inside their houses for their safety.
This time also Griffin manages to give a slip to his pursuers and escapes. He comes face to face with a middle-aged man. In a hurry to escape, he murders him.

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**Chapter 27: The Siege of Kemp's House**

**Introduction**

Griffin announces, through a letter addressed to Kemp, his resolve to unleash terror by killing Kemp. Realising the seriousness of the matter, Kemp sends his maid to Adye with a note about the letter. Griffin snatches the note from the maid and as Kemp waits for the police, Griffin tries to enter the house by breaking the windowpanes. A scuffle follows resulting in Adye being shot by Griffin. The two policeman who are brought by the maid try their utmost to capture Griffin but are not successful.

**Summary**

A letter is received by Dr Kemp. The threatening letter reveals that the Reign of terror was about to begin. Kemp was at the top on the hit list; he would be the first one to be executed. Kemp makes up his mind to become the bait in order to nab Griffin.

Griffin's appearance can be felt by smashing of windows in Kemp's house.

Adye is shot dead.

Griffin frantically looks for Kemp all over the place, but Kemp is nowhere to be found.

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**Chapter 28: The Hunter Hunted**

**Introduction**

Kemp reaches his neighbour, Mr Heelas's house to seek refuge. The neighbour fearing the person at his door to be the invisible man, refuses to open the door. Kemp then moves through thorny paths knowing that the bloody trail from Griffin's injured feet will be helpful in spotting him. Soon some people move out of their houses to help Kemp. Finally, after a brief struggle, Griffin meets a painful end at the hands of the public.

**Summary**

Griffin chases Dr Kemp all through the town. People also join the chase.

Kemp realises that the people are all out to nab Griffin and they are actually chasing Griffin.

People finally manage to grab the Invisible Man. Griffin is fatally injured. It can be seen by all as his invisibility is reversed when he is fatally injured. As Griffin dies, his dead body becomes visible to all.

**The Epilogue**

It tells us that the evil acts and deeds of the Invisible Man came to an end, but his stories were narrated and listened to with interest. The three books with the wonderful secrets, were in the landlords possession near Port Stowe. The books would remain there, hidden from the outside world, in his safe custody till his last breath. He dared not try what the Invisible Man had tried to do.