

# ***THE STRANGE AFFAIR OF DR. CRIPPEN***

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## **CAST OF CHARACTERS**

**DR. PETER CRIPPEN**, a meek American “Doctor” peddling elixirs in 19<sup>th</sup> Century London, soft-spoken and ostensibly harmless; in love with his secretary Ethel Le Neve; accused of brutally murdering his wife, Cora.

**CORA CRIPPEN** (aka BELLE AMORE), flamboyant and extravagant, a “theatre person;” believes herself to be a first-class British music hall performer although her (many) detractors would disagree. A force of nature—with a mighty appetite for the finer things in life.

**ETHEL LE NEVE**, young and very pretty; employed as Dr. Crippen’s typist; she harbors secret feelings for the Doctor and will be steadfast in her love for him until the very end.

**INSPECTOR DEW**, a hard-nosed Scotland Yard detective, alcoholic and down on his luck (because he failed to catch Jack the Ripper); displays a high regard for “the law;” and sees the “Dr. Crippen Case” as his final chance at glory.

**MITCHELL**, Inspector Dew’s young assistant, eager to bring the murderer to justice.

**MRS. REGINA BUMBLE**, a high-strung, gossipy member of the Music Hall Guild.

**MR. REGINALD BUMBLE**, her cuckolded husband.

**LEAGUE OF MUSIC HALL WOMEN AND MEN**, gossipy, London socialites

**VARIOUS LONDONERS** (PROSTITUTES, PARTYGOERS, BAR PATRONS, etc.)

**CAPTAIN KENDALL**, radios for Scotland Yard while en route to Canada

**POLICEMEN/PASSENGERS ABOARD THE SS MONTROSE SHIP**