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KNIGHTS OF THE
KITCHEN TABLE

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Halt, vile knaves. Prepare to die.”

“Is he talking to us?” asked Fred.

I looked around the small clearing. A dirt path went from one end to the other. Fred, Sam, and I stood at one end. A large guy on a black horse stood at the other. He was dressed from head to toe in black armor like you see in those books about knights and castles.

“I don’t see any other vile knaves around,” I said.

Sam cleaned his glasses on his T-shirt and took another look at the end of the path. “Yes, there is a Black Knight down there.”

The sun glinted off a very real, and very sharp-looking sword hanging from the Black Knight’s side.

“And, yes, he looks like he’s planning to hurt us,” added Sam.

“Hey, it’s not my fault,” I said. “I told Fred not to open it.”

“You did not,” said Fred.

“Did, too.”

“Did not.”

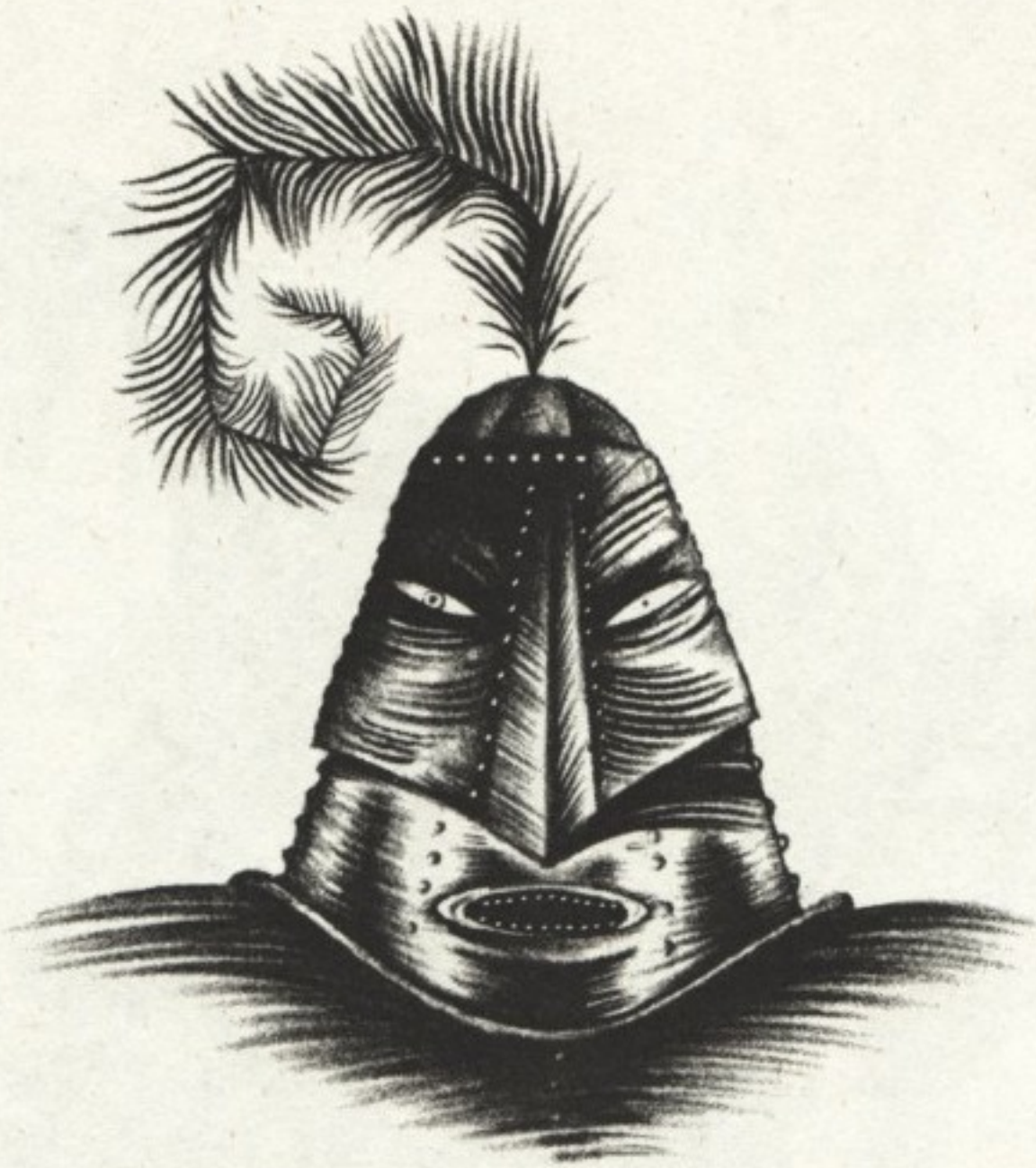
“Did, too.”

“Excuse me, guys,” said Sam. “Can we discuss this later? I think that large angry man in the black can is getting ready to kill us now.”

The Black Knight lowered his lance and set his shield in front of him.

“Um . . . Hello there, Mr. Knight, sir,” I called





across the clearing. "My name is Joe. My friends and I seem to have lost our way from my birthday party. If you could just take us to the nearest phone—"

"None shall pass," boomed the Black Knight.

"If you could just point the way toward New York we'll be on our way and—"

"None shall pass!"

"I think I heard that somewhere before," said Sam.

"Thy tongue and garb art passing strange. Methinks thy band hails not from this shore."



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