

## The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes Adventure XIII – The Adventure of the Beryl Coronet

Everyone agrees that the story of a public personage raising private funds by pawning one of the most

priceless possessions of the realm is absurd.

Still, is it any more absurd than private ownership of the treasures discovered in "The Musgrave Ritual"?

Or than the domestic machinations tolerated in "The Second Stain"?



Does Holmes — or his creator — have any idea how government works at all?

Chris Redmond, BSI February 24, 1996