

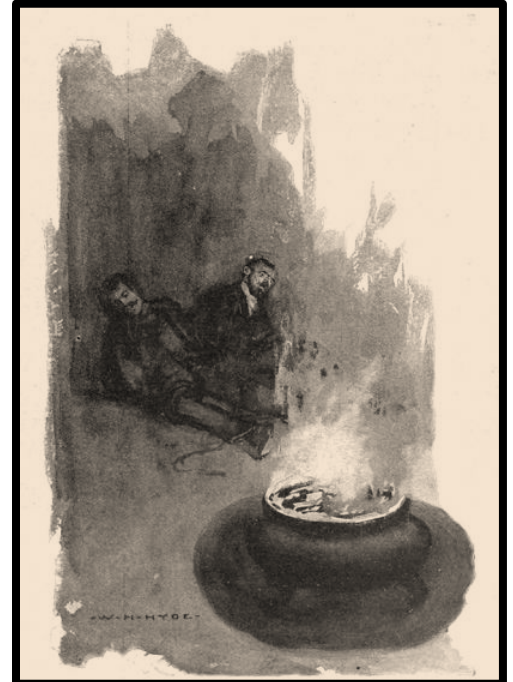


I only quote  
this as a  
trivial  
example of  
observation  
and  
inference.

## The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes

### Adventure XXIV -- The Adventure of the Greek Interpreter

1. "Art in the blood is liable to take the strangest forms."
2. "I cannot agree with those who rank modesty among the virtues. To the logician all things should be seen exactly as they are, and to underestimate one's self is as much a departure from truth as to exaggerate one's own powers."
3. "I said that he was my superior in observation and deduction. If the art of the detective began and ended in reasoning from an armchair, my brother would be the greatest criminal agent that ever lived."
4. "My ancestors were country squires, who appear to have led much the same life as is natural to their class. But, none the less, my turn that way is in my veins, and may have come with my grandmother, who was the sister of Vernet, the French artist."
5. "Our birds are flown and the nest empty."
6. "The Diogenes Club is the queerest club in London, and Mycroft one of the queerest men."



7. "There are many men in London, you know, who, some from shyness, some from misanthropy, have no wish for the company of their fellows. Yet they are not averse to comfortable chairs and the latest periodicals. It is for the convenience of these that the Diogenes Club was started, and it now contains the most unsociable and unclubable men in town."
8. "Well, knowing as much as we do, it will be singular indeed if we fail to discover the rest. You must yourself have formed some theory which will explain the facts to which we have listened."
9. "You may have observed the same wheel-tracks going the other way. But the outward-bound ones were very much deeper-so much so that we can say for a certainty that there was a very considerable weight on the carriage."