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this as a  
trivial  
example of  
observation  
and  
inference.*

## The Return of Sherlock Holmes

### Adventure XXXIV -- The Adventure of Charles Augustus Milverton

1. "I don't mind confessing to you that I have always had an idea that I would have made a highly efficient criminal. This is the chance of my lifetime in that direction."
2. "I have always had an idea that I would have made a highly efficient criminal. This is the chance of my lifetime in that direction."
3. "I have said that he is the worst man in London, and I would ask you how could one compare the ruffian, who in hot blood bludgeons his mate, with this man, who methodically and at his leisure tortures the soul and wrings the nerves in order to add to his already swollen money-bags?"
4. "I think there are certain crimes which the law cannot touch, and which therefore, to some extent, justify private revenge."
5. "I've had to do with fifty murderers in my career, but the worst of them never gave me the repulsion which I have for this fellow. And yet I can't get out of doing business with him."
6. "My sympathies are with the criminals rather than with the victim."
7. "On the other hand, like all these stout, little men who do themselves well, he is a plethoric sleeper."



8. "Since it is morally justifiable I have only to consider the question of personal risk. Surely a gentleman should not lay much stress upon this when a lady is in most desperate need of his help?"
9. "You must play your cards as best you can when such a stake is on the table."