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this as a
trivial
example of
observation
and
inference.*

The Casebook of Sherlock Holmes

Adventure LI – The Adventure of the Creeping Man

1. “Always look at the hands first, Watson. Then cuffs, trouser-knees, and boots.”
2. “Come at once if convenient- if inconvenient come all the same. S.H.”
3. “Consider, Watson, that the material, the sensual, the worldly would all prolong their worthless lives. The spiritual would not avoid the call to something higher. It would be the survival of the least fit. What sort of cesspool may not our poor world become?”
4. “Dr. Watson is the very soul of discretion.”
5. “It's surely time I disappeared into that little farm of my dreams.”
6. “My line of thoughts about dogs is analogous. A dog reflects the family life. Whoever saw a frisky dog in a gloomy family, or a sad dog in a happy one? Snarling people have snarling dogs, dangerous people have dangerous ones. And their passing moods may reflect the passing moods of others.”



7. ““The same old Watson! You never learn that the gravest issues may depend upon the smallest things.”
8. “There is, if I remember, an inn called Chequers where the port used to be above mediocrity and the linen was above reproach.”
9. “We can but try -- the motto of the firm.”
10. “When one tries to rise above nature one is liable to fall below it. The highest type of man may revert to the animal if he leaves the straight road of destiny.”