



THE LIFE AND TIMES IN VICTORIAN LONDON # 138 - WHERE DID SHERLOCK GO TO SCHOOL - SEPTEMBER, 2023



WELCOME TO TOPIC NUMBER # 138... TODAY WE WILL BE LOOKING AT THE DEBATE ON WHERE YOU ATTENDED SCHOOL.





BECAUSE YOUR ANCESTORS WERE COUNTRY SQUIRES, YOU WOULD HAVE HAD AN UPPER-CLASS EDUCATION.





FOR THE FIRST FEW YEARS, YOU WOULD HAVE HAD TUTORS AND GOVERNESSES TO OVERSEE YOUR EARLY EDUCATION AT HOME.





WHEN YOU GOT A LITTLE OLDER, YOU WOULD HAVE BEEN SENT TO A "PUBLIC" SCHOOL TO PREPARE FOR ATTENDING A UNIVERSITY, OFTEN LIVING THERE FOR NEXT SIX TO EIGHT YEARS (DEPENDING ON WHEN YOU STARTED THERE).





GIRLS WOULD HAVE CONTINUED TO STUDY WITH GOVERNESSES AND TUTORS AT HOME.





IN THE UNITED STATES, A "PUBLIC" SCHOOL MEANS ONE THAT IS PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT TO EVERYONE FOR FREE... IN BRITAIN, A "PUBLIC" SCHOOL IS ONE WHERE ANY BOY COULD ATTEND, REGARDLESS OF HIS RELIGION.





THE FAMILY HAD TO PAY FOR HIM TO ATTEND. THERE WERE SEVEN BOARDING SCHOOLS DURING OUR TIME: ETON, HARROW, WESTMINSTER, RUGBY, WINCHESTER, CHARTERHOUSE, AND SHREWSBURY.



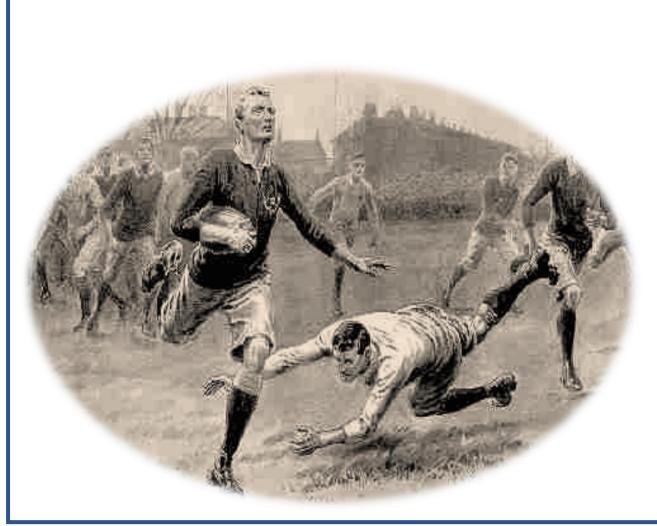
ANOTHER TWO SCHOOLS HAD BOYS ATTENDED DURING THE DAY AND THEN GO HOME: ST. PAUL'S AND MERCHANT TAYLORS'S... THE BOYS STUDIED LATIN, GREEK, AND OTHER LANGUAGES AND WERE TRAINED TO BE GENTLEMEN WITH PROPER MANNERS AND DICTION.





THERE WERE ALSO LOTS OF SPORTS TO HELP THEM LEARN TO WORK TOGETHER AS A TEAM.





IF YOUR FAMILY COULDN'T AFFORD ONE OF THESE SCHOOLS, BOYS (AND GIRLS IN SOME CASES) COULD ATTEND SUNDAY SCHOOLS OR RAGGED SCHOOLS RUN BY RELIGIOUS OR CHARITY ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE CHILDREN WITH BASIC READING AND WRITING.





THE GOVERNMENT DIDN'T OFFER FREE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION OR TECHNICAL TRAINING UNTIL AFTER 1870.

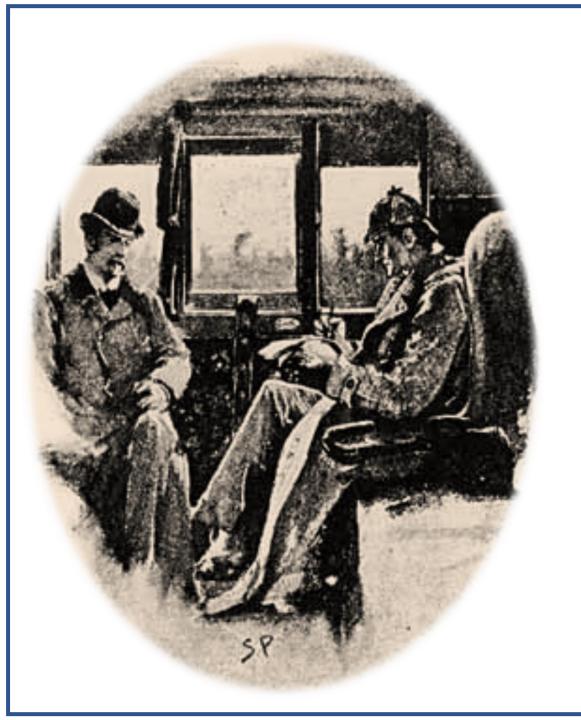




BY THE TIME I LEFT TO STUDY AT A UNIVERSITY, NOT ONLY WOULD I BEEN ABLE TO READ AND WRITE LATIN AND GREEK, I WOULD HAVE DEVELOPED A MORAL CODE, EMPHASIZING TEAMWORK, LOYALTY, OBEDIENCE, AND COMMAND.







CERTAINLY, I SHOWED THESE WHEN I WOULD SOLVE CASES, WITH MY LOYAL TEAM-MATE, NAMELY YOU.



SO, WE HAVE COMPLETED TOPIC # 138 IN OUR SERIES

IN TOPIC # 139, WE WILL BE LOOKING AT SCOTLAND YARD DURING THE VICTORIAN PERIOD AND MY RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM.







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