

A Sherlockian Toast (posted 2021-2-7)

A toast to Mycroft Holmes  
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Here's to the smart quiet ones.

Those who are happiest sitting and observing.

Those whose work is little known and rarely appreciated.

Those who specialize in knowing something about everything.

Those who form the routines that work for them and are happy in them.

Those who help the visible geniuses execute their plans, whether driving a hansom cab or putting up with an attention-seeking younger sibling.

Those who socialize quietly in a soothing atmosphere and take pleasure in knowledge without ambition and without needing to prove themselves right.

Those who are comfortable letting others have the energy, activity, and glory, but who are still capable of surprising them and holding their secrets.

Here's to Mycroft Holmes.

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