

## CANON QUEERIES

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1. Why did Watson rise to knock out his pipe?
2. How much information could the hat-stand reveal?
3. Why was Watson wearing a coat?
4. What would be the gas or drain problems?
5. Is there significance to linoleum, boot nails, pouch and dirty boots?
6. Does Holmes say "Elementary" elsewhere in the Canon?
7. Who withheld factors - Holmes or Watson?
8. What did the 11:10 give Watson time for?
9. Would one expect Barclay, Devoy and Wood to be Irish names?
10. Why was the color-sergeant "formerly"?
11. What does "social friction" suggest?
12. Does "Lachine" (China) have significance?
13. Why a half-hour walk if a coachman available?
14. Why did Barclay sit in the dining room so late?
15. Why did Major Murphy seek Holmes's services?
16. Does locking the door have significance?
17. Were the screams significant with what followed?
18. Who was to pay Holmes's fee?
19. How many were permitted to see Nancy or to see Barclay and faint?
20. Does mental shock bring on apoplexy and brain fever?
21. Did the footprints lead away from the house?
22. Does a boxed animal leave footprints?
23. Should Miss Morrison have asked Holmes for secrecy, if possible?
24. What functions does a registration agent serve?
25. How did Simpson happen to be in or get to Aldershot?
26. Did a message get to Neill?
27. Was Wood (like Watson) qualified for a wound pension?
28. What torture would produce such deformities?
29. Of possible encampments, why did Wood choose Aldershot?
30. Did Wood really need his stick?