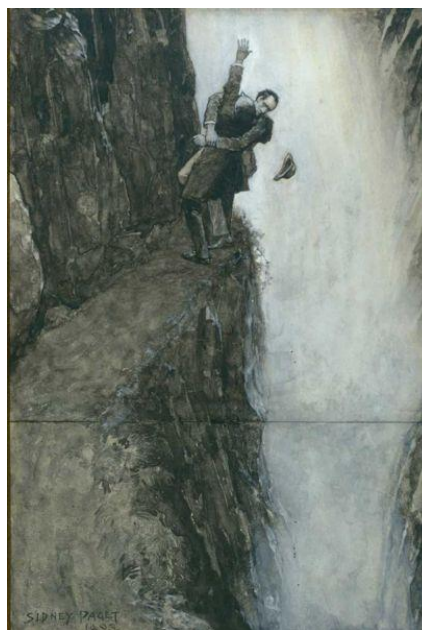


Sidney Edward Paget, was a Kings Langley Parish Councillor. He was born in 1860 in Clarksenwell, London, lived Braziers House (it is still there), Tower Hill, Chipperfield. Married to Edith with 6 children. Died 1908 aged 47 of a painful chest complaint.

Sidney Edward Paget was a famous artist best known for his illustrations that accompanied Arthur Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes stories. Paget's drawings appeared in many magazines and his work was well known in the US and the UK. Paget is credited with giving the first deerstalker cap and Inverness cape to Holmes. Paget used the black and white medium to reflect the grim mood of the stories which was a probable influence on American detective movies and film noir and has had a profound influence on every film version of the Holmes stories. Altogether, Sidney Paget did some 356 published drawings for the Sherlock Holmes series and his drawings have become iconic in depicting the fictional character. Paget's original drawing of Holmes and Moriarty in Mortal Combat at the Edge of the Reichenbach Falls was sold by Sotheby's in New York on 16/11/2004 for \$220,800. (see below)



Sidney Edward Paget



"Holmes & Moriarty in Mortal Combat at the Edge of Reichenbach Falls"