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Accompanied by Holmes and Watson, Mrs. Hudson crosses the ocean to attend the wedding of her cousin's daughter. They disembark to discover that the young lady's fiancée, a pitcher for the Brooklyn Bridegrooms, stands accused of an attempt on the life of JP Morgan and the death of his aide. A self-declared enemy of Morgan and the robber barons, the ballplayer ran from the scene of the crime and, when captured, was found in possession of a gun with two spent cartridges, the same number and caliber as that used in the attack. Before a wedding can be held, the unacknowledged sage of Baker Street will lead Holmes and Watson along a path of investigation taking them from JP Morgan's mansion to the gambling dens of New York's Tenderloin. With the enthusiastic assistance of Samuel Clemens, the reluctant assistance of Morgan, and the cautious assistance of a leader in the African Broadway community, they will identify the financier's attacker, frustrate efforts to corrupt the game of baseball, and rescue the prospective bride and groom from would-be assassins before returning finally to the comparative quiet of 221B Baker Street.

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Susan Grout says

I am a First Reads lucky winner of Mrs. Hudson in New York. I am a big Sherlock Holmes fan, so I thought a book about Mrs. Hudson would be fun. And it was! I really liked the idea that Mrs. Hudson was the driving force behind the detecting of Holmes and Watson. The story was good and so was the ending. I liked all the famous real people sprinkled throughout the story.

Ben Cardall says

With all the qualities that everyone loves and holds dear about the Holmes/Watson partnership, the intelligence, relationships, language, settings have been put together to create an incredible mystery! Plus I always enjoy when less frequent characters get more page time, that's just me though. Mr. Brown has created something truly magnificent. Reminds me of the first time I watched Without a Clue. Incredible stuff

Thomas Turley says

As this was my first encounter with this series, I was a bit startled to find Sherlock Holmes' landlady speaking with a Cockney accent. That was but the least of the surprises, for (as his fans already know) Barry S. Brown has reinvented the relationship between Mrs. Hudson and her lodgers. It turns out that our world-famous sleuth was no more than a front man. The real brains belonged to the middle-aged, unassuming widow who hired Holmes and Watson to help with her detective agency, meanwhile renting them their rooms. In this adventure, Mrs. Hudson and her two employees travel to a wedding in New York, which must be delayed when her young cousin's baseball player bridegroom is accused of shooting J.P. Morgan. Other luminaries (Mark Twain, for example) put in an appearance; and Mr. Brown presents a well-researched, convincing portrait of Gilded Age New York. Populated with interesting minor characters and full of twists and turns, the mystery itself is highly entertaining, even if its denouement seems closer to Agatha Christie than to Conan Doyle. For Sherlockian traditionalists, Holmes and Watson may lose much of their original lustre in their diminished roles. Readers who can accept the novel on its own terms should find Mrs. Hudson in New York a thoroughly delightful outing.
