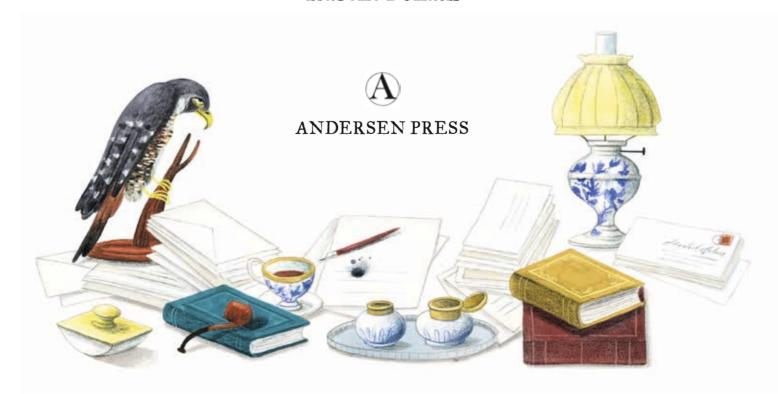
## ARTHUR WHO WROTE SHERLQCK

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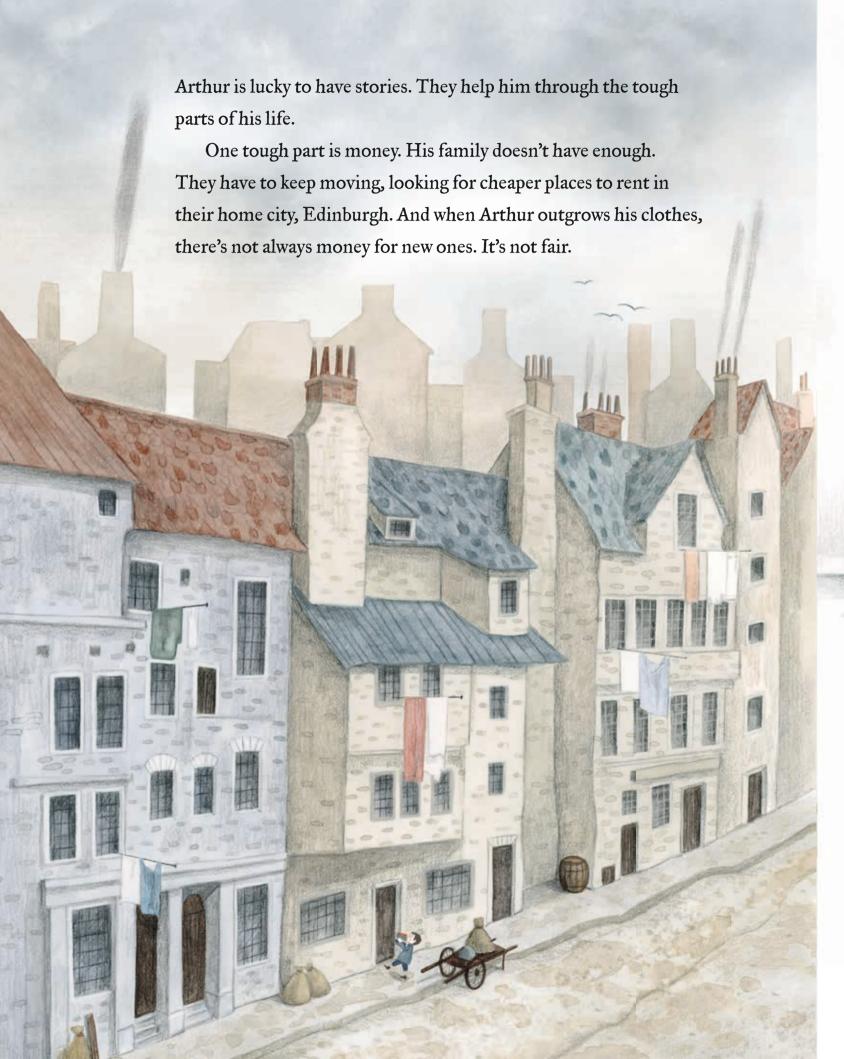
From the very beginning, Arthur loves stories. Here he is with his mother and sister. As his mother stirs the porridge, she tells a thrilling story of knights of long ago. Brave heroes! Terrible foes! In the spooky parts, her voice sinks to a whisper... "MORE!" says Arthur. When Arthur is still very young, his mother teaches him to read.

Soon he's a regular visitor to the library. He goes there so often, the library makes a new rule — he can only take out two books a day!



When Arthur is six, he writes his first story. It's about a man who gets into a fight with a Bengal tiger. (Guess who wins?) Arthur learns his first lesson about writing. "It is very easy to get people *into* scrapes," he says, "and very hard to get them *out* again."







It's also not fair that Arthur's father is unwell. He has problems with alcohol, and when he can't work, there is even less money. Sometimes he steals from his children's money boxes.