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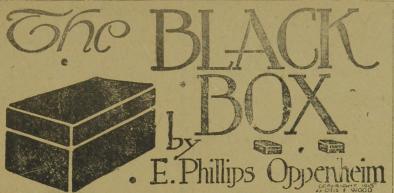
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turned away with a shrug of the

"At any rate," he said "Crair's dy. ing thoughts must have been truth-

He led the way to the fireplace,

went down on his knees and passed

his hands over the bricks. The third one he touched, shook. He tapped

"It's coming!" Lenora moaned. turned aw Quest stood perfectly tense. The shoulders, picture suddenly flashed into brilliant



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clearness. They saw Craig's features with almost lifelike detail. From the corner of that room where the profes sor was standing, came a smothered groan. It was a terrifying, a paralyzing moment. Even the silence seemed charged with awful things. Then suddenly, without any warning, the pic-ture faded completely away. A cry, which was almost a howl of anger, broke from Quest's lips. Craig had fallen sideways from his chair. There was an ominous change in his face. Something seemed to have passed light, quick!" from the atmosphere of the room, They were unemotional men, but the

"What about him?" French demanded, as Lenora led the girl from the

"He fought too hard," Quest said, "He is dead. Professor-They all looked around. The spot

CHAPTER XXXV.

The first shock was over. Craig's 109-11 McCatherine, Miss I. Edith, res. had taken Mary, half stunned with 349-21 McKinnon, J. A., res., 171 grief, to their room. French and Smythe St.

Smythe St.

334-1 Ross, Wesley A., Hotel, Queen the former remarked gloomily.

St.

"It is a disappointment," Quest the former remarked gloomily.

inquired Quest shook his head.

"A turmoil. First of all, where is the professor?"

"Must have scooted right away home," French suggested. "He was looking pretty sick all the time. Guess it must have been a powerful shock for him, and he isn't so young as he

indian finger trap

"Give me that paper of Craig's couple can be joined together and again," Quest asked

will hold their fingers as tight as a rat in a trap. The more you pull the ment from his inner pocket, and Quest, stretching it out upon his knee, read it word for word.

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inspector admitted.

Quest glanced at the clock.
"Well," he said, "if you're ready,
inspector, we'll be getting along."

The two men drove to the outskirts professor's house seemed more than ever deterted as they drew up at the front door. They entered without ringing and crossed the hall towards the library. On the threshold Quest paused and held up his finger.

"Someone is in there," he whispered, stepping quickly forward. "Come!" He threw open the door. The room was empty, yet both Quest and French |

were conscious of a curious conviction that it had been occupied with-in the last few seconds. "Queer, but it seemed to me I heard

someone," French muttered "I was sure of it," Quest replied. They stood still for a moment and istened. The silence in the empty

house was almost unnatural. Quest

electric bell from the front door, shrill and insistent. Without a moment's hesitation, Quest hurried out and French followed him. On the doorstep was another surprise. Lenora and Laura were there, the former carrying a small, black-bound volume.

"Don't be cross," she begged, quickly. "We just had to come. Look! We picked this up underneath the chair where Craig was sitting. It must have slipped from his pocket. You see what is written on it?— Diary of John Craig." Quest took it in his hand.

"Say, this ought to be interesting,"

he remarked. "Come along."
They passed into the library. French lingered behind for a moment and caught them up just as they were opening the book underneath the electric lamp.

"See here what I've found!" he exit—without a doubt it was hollow. claimed. "It was just by the side of With his penknife he loosened the mortar a little and drew it out easily."

The back was open. Inside was the He spread out the piece of paper-it fitted exactly into the empty space.



"Craig's secret at last!" French They all road to muttered, hoarsely. "Bring it to the

some tense and nameless quality, moment was supreme. The key to After treatment with a new core Quest moved forward and laid his the mystery of these tragical weeks patient was relieved or the hydr hand on Craig's heart. The girl was was there in their hands! Their eyes on her knees, screaming.

almost devoured those few hast'ly on her knees, screaming. almost devoured those few hastily mild-mannered, humane man "Take her away," Quest whispered scrawled words buried with so much possessed at times of all the

See Page 62, January Number, American Medical Journal, 1905.

They looked at one another. They repeated vaguely this most commonplace of messages. As the final result of their strenuous enterprise, these I ought to take. where he had been standing was cryptic words seemed pitifully inadequate. Quest's face darkened. He crumpled the paper in his fingers. quate. Quest's face darkened. He

"There must be some meaning in this," he muttered. "It can't be alto the above notes. He was attacked by gether a fool's game we're on. Wait." He moved towards a table which usually stood against the wall, but

which had obviously been dragged out recently into the middle of the room. It was covered with bound "That is some disappointment," volumes. Quest glanced at one and

professor's been at work here!" The two men stood looking at one another across the table. Strange

"He Fought Too Hard." Quest Said Gravely. "He Is Dead!"

ten by the oped hydrop bic symptoms but to mi

teristics of the prutal anthropoidcunning, thievery brutality. I do no know what may come of this. I hasttate to put even these words on to paper. I am doubtful as to what course, in the interests of humanity,

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American jungle, and torn to pieces. There was a queer little silence among the company. No one seemed inclined for speech. They looked at one another in dumb, wondering hor-

Then he came to a stop. Page 61 was there; page 62 had been neatly removed with a pair of scissors.

"The professor!" he cried. "The from their thoughts. They leaned

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