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"Listen to this, guy'nor. Seems a waste, doesn't it?"

"Fire away," I returned, "and I'll give you my opinion afterward."

"We understand that Mr. Chrisopher Pontifex, the well known jeweler of Moore Lane, E. C., has just ordered a mummy from Messrs. Wood & Sons, the curiosity dealers. The mummy is supposed to be the remains of Ptolemy II, and there is no doubt that there will be a great rush on the part of all Egyptologists to the Pontifex museum to see the new importation from the land of the Pharaohs," The paragraph then went on to say that £1,000 had been stated as the price of the mummy in question.

"Ain't that a waste o' mon. v?"

"Co'se I kyahs 'bout 'em! Whut does dey wanter chop 'em up dat way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate pieces, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate beleas, institi o' makin 'em bigger so's ter way in so many sep'rate be

Still, I shouldn't mind changin places with that ere mummy, purvidin, o' course, that it was to be lodged over the shop. What ho! he concluded, with a wink at me. I laughed. "I agree with you," I said. "I shouldn't bave any objection at all to changing places with the mummy, say between the hours of midnight and 2 a.m., but I don't quite see how it's to be done."

Still, I shouldn't mind changing precious stones seemed greatly impressed with his purchase and insisted on delivering a short homily to the car men on the subject.

"See here, my good men," he said in an unctuous, satisfied voice; "see here, and admire the work which the ancient Egyptians knew so well how to perform. Think of the ages which have rolled by since Ptolemy II lived and ruled! Think of the millions who have since then of the millions who have since then

ALBERT T DUNN.
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Will be rigidly ever, in a very sudden manner two months later, when, passing down a street near the Strand, I espied close to a pillar box a letter already stamped and addressed for costing, but which had evidently stamped and evidently stamped ever, in a very sudden manner two months later, when, passing down a street near the Strand, I evidently stamped ever, in a very sudden manner two months later, when, passing down a street near the Strand, I evidently stamped ever, in a very sudden manner two months later, when, passing down a street near the Strand, I evidently stamped ever, in a very sudden manner two months later, when, passing down a street near the Strand, I evidently stamped ever, in a very sudden manner two months later, when have a lower two stamped ever, in a very sudden manner two months later, when have a lower two stamped ever, in a very sudden manner two months later than the strand in the strand in t which has always led me to obtain twice the temptation. as much knowledge as I can, I

thought flashed across my brain, goes!" and I resolved to put it into exe- I had provided myself with

The message having been duly dispatched, I took my way at once to my lodgings, where I found my chum, Herring, sitting disconsolate-"Buck up, Dick, my lad!" I cried. "I think we're in luck at last. Read that letter."

I handed him the note which I had picked up near the pillow box, and he read it carefully. Then he "Where's the luck in this,

CHANGE. guy'nor ?.. you that I intended to impersonate intended to carry off all that I can lay my hands on during the night following my being delivered

into his keeping?

While thanking the public generally for their liberal patronage bestowed on me in the past, J respectfully s licit a continuance of the same for JOHN McDONALD & CO. risky, but it may be done with care bouse door. and discretion. Being extremely thin, I have the 'make up' of an ideal mummy. The first thing we have to obtain is an ancient Mansion House, where I was joined

real article would have been ex- wot I ever set eyes on." WARMUNDE

SPECIAL BARGAINS other handy appliances. This being done, I obtained a quantity of butter clothes in which I was to be swarthed. To give the same an ancient and brownish area.

I was to be swarthed, them at the large decided that as I had had had the same and the same and the same and the same and the same at the same at

Jack Tovey, an ingenious youngster who had often done good work for London Tit-Bits.

us in days gone by.

He showed himself an apt pupil at the mummy business, and when I had rehearsed the attaching of A CONVICT'S YARN.

Egyptology in the days when I was at college, before I took to the profession which I followed for many years, was my chief delight, and to the fact that I was a student of the ways of ancient Egypt I

at the mummy business, and when I had rehearsed the attaching of the butter cloths to Herring's figure, as an example of the manner in which it should be done he expressed himself as being quite able to tell her that she was "almost one of the family." The family in her view is but an arch of which she is the keystone. It is she who from a sumple of the mummy business, and when I had rehearsed the attaching of the butter cloths to Herring's figure, as an example of the manner in which it should be done he expressed himself as being quite able to tell her that she was "almost one of the family." The family in her view is but an arch of which she is the keystone. It is she who

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"Books an books an

mummy in question.

"Ain't that a waste o' money?" he said angrily, "and all on the mummy of a bloke as died thousands and thousands are five to the trial that the seven it did detection were to come it would come now. Thank heaven it did not come! On the sands and thou ands of years ago.
Still, I shouldn't mind changin
precious stones seemed greatly im-

costing, but which had evidently missed the box and fallen to the do not think I would go through ground. Acting on the principle such an ordeal again even for I heard the church clock in opened the envelope and was opened to find that it was from the interval between each hour Messrs. Wood & Sons and was addressed to Mr. Pontifex. This is midnight struck, and then I knew

that my awful rest was near its DEAL SIR.—The mummy to your esteemed order has now arrived at South end. I could hear the servants ampton, and we expect it in London locking up for the night. ampton, and we expect it in London to-morrow. Wil you kindly say if we can deliver same to-morrow afternoon? We understand the mummy is to be deposited first of all on your premises at Moore lane. Awaiting your reply, we are, yours very obediently,

Whop & Son.

"The time has come." I thought,

'The time has come." I thought. As I read these words a happy "for Ptolemy to come to life. Here

and I resolved to put it into execution at once. Going straight to a telegraph office in the city I sent the following message to Wood & Sons;

Leaving London for a few days. Recourse, the work was counserable.

I had provided myself with a sim of Cod Liver Oil by many thousand who have takeit. It not only gives flesh and strength by virtue of its own nutritions properties, but creates an appetite for food Use it and try your weight. Soots's Emul. Sons;

Leaving London for a few days. Recourse, the work was counserable. Leaving London for a few days. Re- course, the work was comparatively easy, but for ten minutes or so could not rise, my limbs being too cramped to allow of me doing so.

At the end of that time I pulled myself together, and making a mighty effort I leaped out. Seiz-ing my lantern I lit it, and then put on the overcoat and other clothing which I had concealed in the deep receptacle.

Having put on my india rubber shoes and collected my professional instruments, I went down stairs silently, and soon found my way into the shop toward the treasures "What would you say if I told of which we had so long turned out that I intended to impersonate our eyes and which treasures now the mummy which Mr. Pontifex lay within my reach. I made a deliberate selection, filling my pockets with the precious stones in generous profusion.

ight following my being delivered to his keeping?"

He smiled incredulously.
"How's it to be done, guv'nor?

clear for my exit. I therefore took It's a knockout plan of course, but how's it to be done?"

"It will be by no means an easy noise I slid back the great bolts task," I made answer, "and it's and turned the key of the massive

nummy coffin, which I will go and by Herring, who burst into a loud peal of laughter when he saw me "'Ow are yer. Mr. Tollerrmy?' ment of the Messrs. Woods, where he said. "Give us yer and. Blow your orders to I bought an imitation coffin. The me if yer ain't the coolest bloke

seedingly dear, and so I contented Then he said no more, and he myself with a colorable imitation. walked on silently till we reached Deep down in a huge recess I packed a long overcoat with capacious pockets, a few necessary tools, alantern with matches and a few we journeyed to Paris, and from there to Brussels, where the swag

appearance I smoked them at the fire, the effect after that process should also have the same share of

and to the fact that I was a student of the ways of ancient Egypt I owed one of the luckiest houls of my life.

It was a dangerous game, and only too well did I know it, but I determined to hope for the best and trust to the luck which always seemed to belong turned our eyes with ardent looks toward the establishment of Mr. Pontifex, jeweler and valuer, of 2 Moore Lane, city, the contents of whose shop were said to be worth some £20,000.

Mr. Pontifex, in addition to being a jeweler and valuer, also a bit of an enthusiast on Egyptian relics, and one often saw paragraphs in the paper regarding recent additions made to his Egyptian relics, and one often saw paragraphs in the paper regarding recent additions made to his Egyptian relication in the same office for me when the time came. It was a dangerous game, and only too well did I know it, but I determined to hope for the best and trust to the luck which always seemed to belong to me.

I determined to lose no time in carrying out the scheme because, although delays are dangerous everywhere, they are especially so in our profession. I therefore arranged that I should be conveyed to Mr. Pontifex's house in Moore lane arrayed as the mummy to his order on the following afternoon, Friday.

The Black Brook Grist Mill will commence to fing a sumunit of importance holds things in place and prevents catastrophe. Like a true aristocrat she repels any attempt at familiarity when the cocasion is so exceptional and usually so amusing that it is not only tolerated, but welcomed. The eldest son of the family is spending his vacation at home after the freshman year. He was in the lime armayed as the mummy to his order on the following afternoon, Friday.

Fortunately the weather was

"Oh, everything you can think "Has dey got anyfin in 'em 'oou

"Yes,"

done."

"More don't I, guv'nor," returned Dick moodily.

He then relapsed into silence, blowing great clouds from his pipe, and the business passed out of my mind. It was recalled to me, how mind. It was recalled to me, how ever in a very sudden manner.

Ptolemy II lived and ruled! Think of the millions who have since then turned into dust, and yet here am I able to look tonight on the intact body of that very king! Ah, a marveleus science, the science of embalming! Marvelous indeed!"

The hours went by with a slow-hasn't learnt no mo' dan yoh kin

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