

That your activity may defeat and quell
The source of all erection."

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DISCOVERY OF ANCIENT HUMAN REMAINS.

For some time past it has been an open secret that a discovery of the very highest importance, as regards the early history of the human race, had been made in England. There was also a general agreement that no mention of the event should be made in public until those who are investigating the geological and anatomical aspects of the discovery had finished their labors and laid them in a completed form before one of the learned societies—in this case the Geological Society. By some means news of this find reached the daily press, and the accounts published are largely imaginary. It may be stated, however, that there cannot be the slightest doubt as regards the authenticity and importance of the discovery, and that a new form or species of primitive man has been found side by side with the remains of animals known to occur only at a late Pliocene or early Pleistocene date. The remains found indicate a more primitive and much older type of man than has yet been found in England. For further details we must wait until the experts have published an account of their investigations. We believe the human remains thus discovered are to find a resting-place in the Natural History Museum at South Kensington.—*British Medical Journal.*

A ROYAL M. D.

The only royal doctor of medicine is ex-Queen Marie Amelia, of Portugal. Not only is she devoted to the healing art, which she studied with such success, but she is persistently successful as an exponent of hygienic dressing. Tight lacing is to her an utter abomination.

Though an exile, she spends something like three-fourths of her large annual income yet upon the poor of Portugal.

Her charities include experimental stations for the production of the serum of diphtheria, a dread disease much prevalent in Portugal; a model sanitary bakery for Lisbon slum dwellers; and a hospital and free dispensary for stricken women.