# EBONY TORSO

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#### FURTHER PROOF

And if further proofs were needed, ial matters." they wer to be found in the behaviour of old Smith, the real Vicar's servant, his nervous breakdown, sir?" who would be almost certain to detect cognized the imposter and turned on and the time of his death." him at the cost of his life. The whole thing, once it was arranged into some sort of sequence, became so plain that sion of the missing links.

Leaving the body in charge of Morrell he harried over to the public phone-box he was taken ill the last time?" and put through a call. The doctor himself, answered.

"Hullo, inspector," he said, as he recognized the detective's voice.

mention a brother, or any male relation, in Australia?"

There was a pause as the medical you know.' man thought over his reply.

I remember he used to receive letters easily such a man could be deceived. from Australia now and again that upset him a good deal.'

Hopton thrilled with excitement at the answer, but managed to continue his inquiries in a calm tone.

"Did he ever comment on them to you in any way?" he asked eagerly.

"Never," replied the doctor decid-"But I could see that their arrival always caused him a good deal of anxiety and depression.'

"And you're sure they came from Australia?"

"Oh, quite, inspector, because he gave me the stamps on several occasions," answered the doctor. "I'm a them to me.

treating him for the nervous breakdown?"

"No, before that—during the time he was suffering from shingles, as far as I mark."

question, Doctor: Did you know Father Galesbourne's writing well, prior to his work. last illness?"

being his personal friend. He frequent-

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ly wrote me letters on various paroch-

"And did his writing alter much after | "D'you know if she is about?" "Well, to tell you the truth, I'm really

the imposition and who consequently unable to answer that question because had been cowed into silence, and the I don't think I received a personal let-Vicar's pet terrier, Spot, who had re- ter from him between his last illness

"I suppose he was unable to do his correspondence?"

Hopton decided to make a few more in- mind was in a funny state, you know, an urgent matter. We're police offiquiries from Doctor Gravely, as the and he employed a secretary who came cers person most likely to be in the posses- in for an hour each day and did all his

clerical work for him." "So, you never saw his writing after

signature on a cheque he sent me in the pleece about it." settlement for a small account," answered Dr. Gravely after a pause. "The "Good afternoon, doctor," replied writing. I remember, showed signs of the question Hopton. "I particularly want to ask his illness, as one would have susif you ever heard Mr. Galesbourne pected. It hadn't the same firm, clear quality if I remember right—but that in' we found an animal's footmark in

Hopton could scarcely suppress a with long claws it was." "No, I can't recall him ever mention- chuckle at the lofty tone of assurance ing a relative," he replied at last. "But the doctor had assumed, and saw how "Well, thank you so much sir," he

> answered. "I think that's all." "You haven't recovered the poor fellow's body yet, Inspector?" asked the lady seemed so upset and talked Gravely anxiously.

sured him.

"That's an odd thing," the doctor commented. "But I'm afraid it won't be long before you do, in spite of your assurance that he's not dead."

bye, sir.' He had two valuable clues to work upon in the two letters written by the deceased woman and, having got into philatelist, you know. He used to tear communication with the police at Tenby intelligent than his mate. the stamps from the letters and give with a request for immediate information concerning Mr. Frank Newton, he the man remarked, shaking his head "Was that during the time you were started to search for Miss Ferrier, ac- dubiously. "Whether the lady was excompanied by one of his most astute pectin' somethin' like this to turn up, I

remember. He gave me three stamps buildings consisting of shops on the in," and he pointed out the screw-heads let out in flats. Number 14 appeared to spoke "Quite so," returned Hopton, exulting be under repair, for a line of scaffolding at the answer. "Now just one more had been fixed under the second storey Hopton, peering in. "But in any case, windows, on which two men were at we can't do much until she returns.

"Naturally, Inspector," was the an- which was a small brass plate bearing here. Understand?" "I was his warden as well as the inscription "Miss G. A. Ferrier," and waited for a reply without result. still no answer, the officer with him hailed one of the workmen on the scaffolding.

I want to speak to you.

"Righto, mate," nodded the fellow, coming slowly down the ladder. "Wot's yer trouble?"

"We want to see Miss Ferrier at once," replied Hopton's companion. THE CLAW MARK

"No, I don't think so," returned the workman with a decided shake of the head. "The lady's gone out and said she wouldn't be back until this

Hopton swore softly under his breath. "I suppose she didn't say where she "Quite so," agreed Gravely. "His was going?" he inquired sharply. "It's

"No, I'm afraid she didn't. She only told us she wouldn't be back until we'd packed up work this evenein'. But I expect you've come about the footmark. "Oh, on thinking it over, I did see his We suggested the lady should speak to

> "Footmark? What footmark's that?" Hopton's eyebrows shot up as he put

"Why, the lady's got the wind up because w'en we come to work this mornso often happens in cases of this sort, some mortar we'd left on a bit o' board outside 'er window. A big paw-mark

The Inspector gave his companion a

'Well, perhaps we could see it?" he "Certainly," agreed the man oblig-

ingly. "We didn't disturb it because of sendin' for the pleece, and we "No, sir, not yet," the detective as- thought they might want to examine

He led the way up the ladder, and presently the two officers were bending over a pile of mortar in whose sticky surface was a replica of the mysterious "Maybe," replied Hopton. "Good- footprint which had been found outside Scutt's bedroom window.

> Hopton made sure the impression was genuine, and then had a few words with lously the other bricklayer who seemed more

"Y'know, sir, I can't understand it, don't know, but all the window sashes Close Street was a long, narrow in 'er flat are screwed, as if she was back.' thoroughfare of high, dirty-looking afraid someone was goin' to try to break

Bye the bye, when Miss Ferrier comes,

comes by six o'clock."

happened to be still at work," the "Come down, chummie," he called. Inspector assured him. "If she comes back before you go, don't say a word about us coming here, but ring up Scot land Yard at once, and ask to speak to Detective Hopton."

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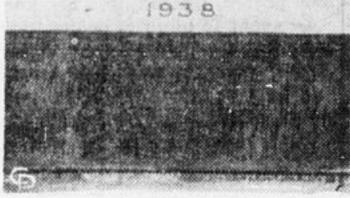
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" 'Ene, are you Inspector 'Opton, sir? broke in the second workman incredu-

"I am," replied the Detective. "Why?" "Oh, I've often read about you, sir, grinned the man.

"Well, don't forget to do as you've been told," Hopton reminded him. "Ring up the Yard, Whitehall 1212, and tell me as soon as Miss Ferrier gets Proulx, Fernand Proulx, Edouard Des-

and one of them bore a Melbourne post- ground floors over which the rooms were through the nearest window as he the way down the ladder to the street. "Are you going to wait till she shows "Um, looks rather like it," agreed up, sir?" asked his subordinate.

"The footmark can only mean one Florian Whissell. Hopton rang the side door bell above I don't want her to know we've been thing: this creature's deliberately tracking down Galesbourne and his gang. "Very good," agreed the man, while one by one. He leaves the footmark Laplante, Gerard Gauvin, Fernand the country in search of employment. his mate nodded silently. "I expect each time as a sort of polite intimation Fontaine, Mariette Bedard, Therese He tried a second time and as there was | we'll be gone in any case, unless she that he's close on the victim's trail, a Bernier. form of mental torture which shows "I'm just warning you, in case you rather a queer, subtle mind. The imprint in the mortar was left with the deliberate intention of terrifying this Ferrier woman."

> "You think, so sir?" "No doubt of it," nodded Hopton. "It was a warning that her death is to follow shortly. Unless I'm much mistaken, we shall bag this mysterious murderer to-night. We must have twenty or thirty plain clothes officers hidden in this street all evening. The house must be completely surrounded, and we'll post a couple of men on the roof, in case our friend tries any of his acrobatic stunts. I feel pretty sure Miss Ferrier'll come back here during the evening to remove her belongings, and when she does she must be detained. We must have a light burning in her sitting-room to-night as a bait in case our pal with the animal-paw turns up. If he's foolish enough to risk another crime, he'll find he's dropped into a regular little hornet's nest. And now, I must get a call through to Sir Hallard Costigan, and fix up de-

(To be Continued)

### Report on Mines in the Abitibi and Chibougamau

The Bureau of Mines of Quebec has just issued with the authorization of the Honourable Onesime Gagnon, C.P. K.C., Minister of Mines and Fisheries a report dealing with several mines of the abitibi country. These inspections are being made by the staff of geologists of the Bureau during 1937. The report is entitled: 'Mining properties and developments in the Abitibi and Chibouga-

This report includes a summary statement of mines and prospects, the development work done, new discoveries made and for some properties, the results of samples takin during oper-

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jowled "bruisers" clad in heavy bush

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fered a leg fracture. He's in the hos-

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walk or don't go at all.

south of Swastika.

List of Pupils With Honour croix, Norman Leacock, Delwyn Spence, "The city police aren't bad. They and Pass Standing in Promotions

Iroquois Falls, July 16.—The following are the promotions at the Separate School for June:-

From Grade I to Grade II Honours-Lucien Delean, Jacqueline Gauvin, Therese Seguin, Jacqueline Fontaine, Helene Bedard, Georges Trottier, Marthe Bedard, Irene Proulx, Gaston Paradis, Leo Trottier, Lucien Bernier, Roland Carbonneau, Ursule Be-

Forget, Louise Boisonneault, Julien country via the "rods" in search of go east." Mongeon, Alfred Gauthier, Gilbert work.

From Grade II to Grade III

neault, Simonne Lepage, Jeannine lauriers, Lucienne Flageole, Jean Min-"Very good, sir," the men agreed, and eault, Mearl Poirier, Therese Bechard, nodding abstractedly, the Inspector led Cecile Beauchemin, Gratia Leacock, Estelle Pelletier.

Passed—Therese Trottier, Joseph Bechard, Fernande Gauthier, Leonard "This house mustn't be left unguard- Larose, Albert Perron, Marcel Forget, ed for a moment," replied Hopton. Wilfrid Trottier, Therese Mousseau,

From Grade III to Grade IV Honours-Louis Lambert, Therese de

Pass - Simone Flageole, Lorraine Pharand, Leopold Blais, Bernard Trottier, Rene Pregent, Arthur Bernier, Rene Forget, Aurele Proulx, Henri Goulet, Andre Trottier, Cecile Gauthier.

From Grade IV to Grade V Honours-Leo Lambert, Denis Fontaine, Albert Leacock, Leonard Roussi, Adrien Flageole, Gerard Proulx, Marie

Jeanne Seguin. Pass—Darquise Trottier, Therese Proulx, Dolorese Mousseau, Jacques Beauchemin, Alfred Bechard, Jeannette Pregent, Georges Gauthier, Emile Larose, Helene Perron, Camille Roussi, Henri Guitar, Nola Poirier, Isabelle reporter," he added when he saw a few Gratton, Bernard Carbonneau, Alfred notes being jotted down. "They might constituted officers. None others. Cloutier, Lilianne Bechard, Germaine get after me for riding the train."

Promoted to Grade VII

Marcelle Pharand, Marcel Lambert, layer, busily engaged in cutting the Roger Blondeau, Clarice Bedard, Paul Roussi, Khisleine Pharand, Simone Pregent, Rolande Delean, Simone Larose, Sylvette Carbonneau, Lilliane Perron, Lilliane de la Plante; Alice Pregent, George Proulx, Fernande Guitar. Lilliane Laverdure.

Promoted to Grade VI

Maurice Gauthier, Yvette Fontaine, Laura Seguin, Anita Bedard, Marguerite Beauchemin, Rita Flageole, Rita Mousseau, Huguette Gauvin, Therese Pelletier, Denis Proulx, Real Trottier, Aurele Larose, Pierrette Tremblay, Antoinette Paradis. Ansonine Gratton.

Promoted to Grade IV James Sabourin, Clare Chircoski, Allan Columbus, Teddy LeClair, Terrence Sloan, Douglas Crotteau.

Promoted to Grade III

Marion Corcoran, Clara Festarini, Marion Sullivan, Merilyn St. James, Caroline Watson, Gilda Baxter, Vivian Devine, Veronica Thomas, Sergio Festarini, Barbara Slinn,

Pass-Francis Doyle, Billy McGrath, Dorothy LeClair, Patsy Wall, Clifford Cybolsky, Clayton Porter, Billy Turner, Joyce Chircoski, Lloyd Fox, Edward

Promoted to Grade II Honours-Marie Manion.

Pass-Roland Seguin, Kathleen Fox, Billy Regimbal, Lorne Turner, Thomas Turner, Eleanor Sells. Grade VI to Grade VII

T. McDonald, P. Thomas, G. Sa-

bourin, E. Leclair, S. Chircoski, K. Crotteau, K. Porter, Eddie Lepage, Eu-Grade V to Grade VI

Gerald Andress, N. Chircoski, P. Sloan, W. Leclair, S. Vanier, J. Valiquette, M. Sells, M. Smith, A. Campbell, L. Sarmiento, D. Andress, D. Vanier, B. Turner, M. Beagan.

Grade IV to Grade V H. Fahey. D. Clanfield, D. Doyle, Tommy St. James, M. Sloan, Jacqueline Lee, P. Charron, J. Devine, R. Fox Promoted to Grade VIII

Honours-Joseph Thomas, Barbara Devine, Vera Sloan, Arthur Crotteau,

Delmer Cybolsky, Vincent Sarmiento, rank St. James, June St. James. Pass-Clifford Cosgrove, Raymond Corcoran, Aldean Porter, Basil Colum-

SHREDDED WHEAT bus, Lois Charron, Freddie Haynes. north on the T. & N. O. they don't Honours-Georgette Deslauriers, Ber- bother you, but just try to get east, west or south. Huh- You can't do angire Trottier, Marguerite Whissel. Pass-Eugene Bernier, Lorraine De it. The Mounties will stop you. I don't Laplante, Yyes Fontaine, Valmore La- know why.

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"Y'know," the Hull bushman put in, "I know some fellows who wanted to go east the other day and do you know what they had to do? They had to Pass-Myrtle Mousseau, Jeannine So say men who have travelled the go north on the T. & N. O., and then

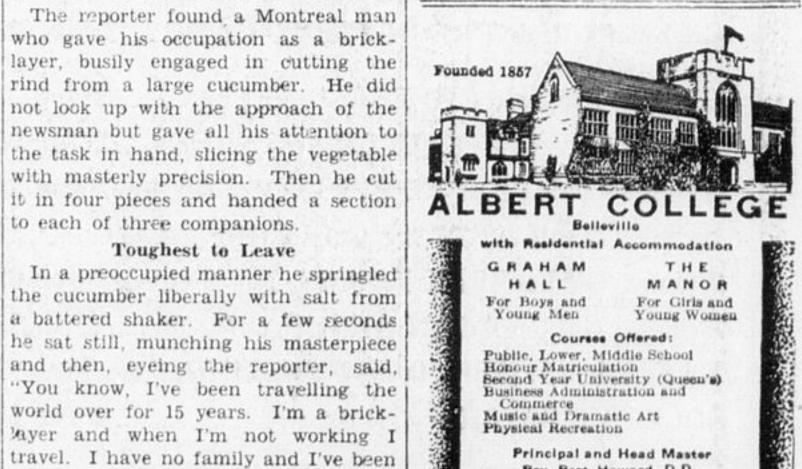
Capreol has the toughest Mounties in Its toughness is not apparent when the country, though," the roaming you come to the city, these "men of bricklayer added. "They put you off Honours-Aline Poirier, Rita Boison- the road" said, but when you leave, un- the trains and tell you to get walking. less you are going north, you either If you say one word, they start to get tough.

Then he and the bushman ceased talking and attacked the cucumber again as though indicating that they had covered the ground well and thorout of town. With this question the oughly, and the reporter moved off.

#### Senneterre Police Seek Relatives of A. Oulette

Seneterre, July 16.-Police here are endeavouring to obtain some information regarding one Albert Ouelette. who died suddenly this week, in the vicinity of this town. A coroner's inquest will be held. Inquiries are being Que., man said. He later informed the made in Rouyn and Noranda regarding reporter that he was a bushworker and anyone who may have knowledge of had been through the recent wreck the man and any relatives he may

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