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SYN-OPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—Jane Harding, respect-

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and an ignorant Scotch peasant—!"

I was as likely to hit one as the other.

The pig. of course, made desperate ractically accusing Shaw and the other not exist which would answer the de"Not at all," said Mr. Shaw calmiy, efforts to escape from the cul-de-sac

CHAPTER VI.—Wild pigs abound the island, and "Cookie," the colored ible rostrum with her wherever she island!" mumbled Captain "I got to my feet quickly, dragging is to my feet quickly. "hant," in the form of a white pig.
uring a walk Virginia meets the "hant,"
white bull terrier, and proudly brings
went, now alertly mounted it.
"My friends," she began,

CHAPTER VIII.—Fired with the idea fluence our fortunes—that success the boat to determine the character of should be unable to materialize before spers words of endearment, which

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"This Expedition Was Called From the Void by Thought."

friends, you will perceive that there is no break in this sequence of ideas; all is remorseless logic.

"In order to withdraw myself from this atmosphere of Negation, for these several days past I have sought seclusion. There in silence I have asserted the power of Positive over My friends, an answer has been vouchsafed us; I have had a vision of that for which we seek. Now at last, in a spirit of glad confidence, we may advance. For, my friends, the chest is buried—in sand."

With this triumphant announcement Miss Higglesby-Browne sat down. A heavy silence succeeded. It was broken by a murmur from Mr.

wonderful! Talk about the eloquence of the ancients-I believe, by gum, this is on a par with congressional

Shaw gravely, "must be an interesting thing. I have never seen one myself, having no talents that way, but in the little Scotch town of Dumbie-Maryland dykes where I was born there was an old lady with a remarkable gift of a plain Scotch sailoracquainted with the proper terms to fit the case, called her the Wise Woman. Well, one day my aunt had been to the neighboring town of Mick- to pursue the game that fied. lestane, five miles off, and on the way back to Dumbiedykes she lost her purse. It had three sovereigns in ita great sum to my aunt. In her trouble of mind she hurried to the Appointments by mail or telephone | Wise Woman—a thing to make her | thrill of exhilaration. Perhaps before pious father turn in his grave. The the sun went down again I should Wise Woman—gazed into the All, I know the secret of the island. suppose, and told my aunt pot to fret | The two divisions of our party, herself, for she had had a 'sion of which were designated by me private-

iertaking to stop her, gets on the vessel his opinion that any further search in where on the road between Mickle- eft bare at their foot led nowhere. the cave under the point was useless. stane and Dumbiedykes is the chest?" "I turned to go back, and at that mo-(If he had known the strange confirm- Though startled at the audacity of nent I heard an outcry in the bushes CHAPTER II.—By no means concealing atory echo which this awoke in my Mr. Shaw, I was unprepared for the addactly of the lind Benjy came tearing out at the

CHAPTER EL.—Talking with Dugald should be surveyed, with a view to intend to draw a parallel between me I was as likely to hit one as the other.

participation in the profits of the spedition. Believing the whole thing to ea fraud, Virginia is not greatly worked. Cuthbert Vane alone votes against council Mr. Shaw's announcement had been foreseen and deliberated upon.

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dwelling on a plane where the Mate- propose," said Mr. Shaw, "I am very curiously regular little patch of rial is all may fail to grasp the ready to consider it. I have under- ground, outlined at intervals with the dog, named "Crusoe" by Virginia, this evening. My friends, this expedition was, so to speak, called from the directions of the ladies who planned this expedition. Consider the patch was narrow, about six the Void by Thought. Thought it was, ering its importance to myself, no one feet long—instantly suggestive of a Returning to the camp, she is as realized in steamships and other can well suppose that I am not doing grave. But swift beyond all process tercepted by Captain Magnus, who acosts her unpleasantly. She escapes him,
rolling sons. How then can it he othrolling seas. How, then, can it be otherwise than that Thought should inable, it is my intention to set out in knees beside the stone and pulled such other caves as exist on the island. I'll want you with me, lad, id you too, Magnus." Captain Magnus looked more ill at

> ease than usual. "I'll you think o' rowin' the whole

man, in addition to his other unattractive qualities, was turning into a shirk! Hitherto, with his strength and feverish, if intermittent, energy, plus an almost uncanny skill with boats, he had been of value. "Certainly not. We are going to make a careful survey of the cliffs, and explore every likely opening as thoroughly as possible. It will be slow work and hard. As to circumnavigating the island, I see no point in it, for I don't believe the chest can have been carried any great distance from the cove."

"Oh-all right," said Captain Mag-Mr. Tubbs, who had been whispering with Aunt Jane and Miss Browne, now with a very made-to-order casualness proposed to the ladies that they take a stroll on the beach. This meant that the triumvirate were to withdraw for discussion, and amount-

sels of the company would be divided. Captain Magnus, after an uneasy wriggle or two, said he guessed he'd turn in. Cookie's snores were already audible between splashes of the waves on the sands. The Scotchman, Cuthbert Vane and I continued to sit by the dying fire. Mr. Shaw had got out his pipe and sat silently puffing at it. He might have been sitting in soliisland, so remote seemed that impassive presence. Was it possible that ever, except in the sweet madness of a dream, I had been in his arms, pillowed and cherished there, that he had called me lassie-

I lifted my eyes to the kind honest gaze of Cuthbert Vane. It was as faithful as Crusoe's and no more embarrassing. A great impulse of affection moved me. I was near putting out a hand to pat his splendid Under the Stone Lay the Guardian of head. Oh, how easy, comfortable and calm would be a life with Cuthbert Vane? I wasn't thinking about the title now-Cuthbert would be quite worth while for himself. For a moment I almost saw with Aunt Jane's eyes. Fancy trotting him out before the girls! stole insidiously into my mind. How much more dazzling than

I turned in bitterness and yearning from the silent figure by the fire. I think in an earlier lifetime J must have been a huntress and loved

CHAPTER XI.

The Island Queen's Freight. I woke next morning with a great

on ly the Land and Sea Forces. went

\_\_\_\_\_ space ways directly after breakfast, which we ate in the cool of earliest morning. I could retire to the perusal of the journal which I had recovered from the wrecked sloop without fear of interruption.

I resumed my reading with the entry of February 10. "This morning, having grown very

tired of fish, of which I get plenty every time I go out in the boat, by dragging a line behind. I decided to stay ashore and hunt pig. I set out , across the base of the point, nearly due south-whereas I had been working along the coast to the north of the core. I reached the edge of the cliffs and found that on my right hand the mountain dropped in a sheer precipice from hundreds of feet above me straight into the sea. I considered, and made up my mind that by striking back some distance one might by a very rough climb gain the That evening Mr. Snaw addressed the gathering at the camp-fire—which is strong-minded spinster, Miss Higglesby
That evening Mr. Snaw addressed the gathering at the camp-fire—which we made small and bright, and then we made small and bright are the composition of the shoulder of the mountain. I did not feel inclined to attempt it. browne, into financing an expedition to sat well away from because of the liberty of drawing a moral from this neans of descent, and the few yards sland. Her alece, Virginia Harding, un- heat—and in a few words gave it as story to fit the present instance; of sand which the receding tide had

ontempt for its members, Virginia makes mind!) He proposed that the shore spasm of absolute fury that convulsed heels of a fine young porker. I threw on either side of the bay entrance "Mr. Shaw," she thundered, "if you of Benjy and the pig were such that up my gun to fire, but the evolutions most respectively. Of the expedition, to the culturally, are somewhat strained.

"Not at all," said Mr. Shaw calmly, "forebye the Wise Woman was a grandson in the kirk. The point is, can you indicate with any degree of exactness the whereabouts of the up, watching my chance for a shot.

"My friends," she began, "those "If anyone has a definite plan to Then I saw that they had covered a

away the torn vine-tendrils. I saw the letters B. H. and an attempt at cross-bones rudely cut into the surface of the stone.

ing things. This is the mere project tion of the vision which has been in

my mind so long.' "I opened my eyes, and lo, the fantasy, if fantasy it were, remained. I smote with my fist upon the stone. The stone was solid—it bruised the flesh. And as I saw the blood run, I screamed aloud like a madman, 'It's real, real!"

"Under the stone lay the guardian of the treasure of the Bonny Lass-And his secret was within my grasp. "I don't know how long I crouched beside the stone, as drunk with joy as any hasheesh toper with his drug. I roused at last to find Benjy at my shoulder, thrusting his cool nose



the Treasure.

against my feverish cheek. I suppose he didn't understand my ignoring him so, or thought I scorned him for losing out in his race with the pig. Yet when I think of what I owe that pig I could swear never to taste pork

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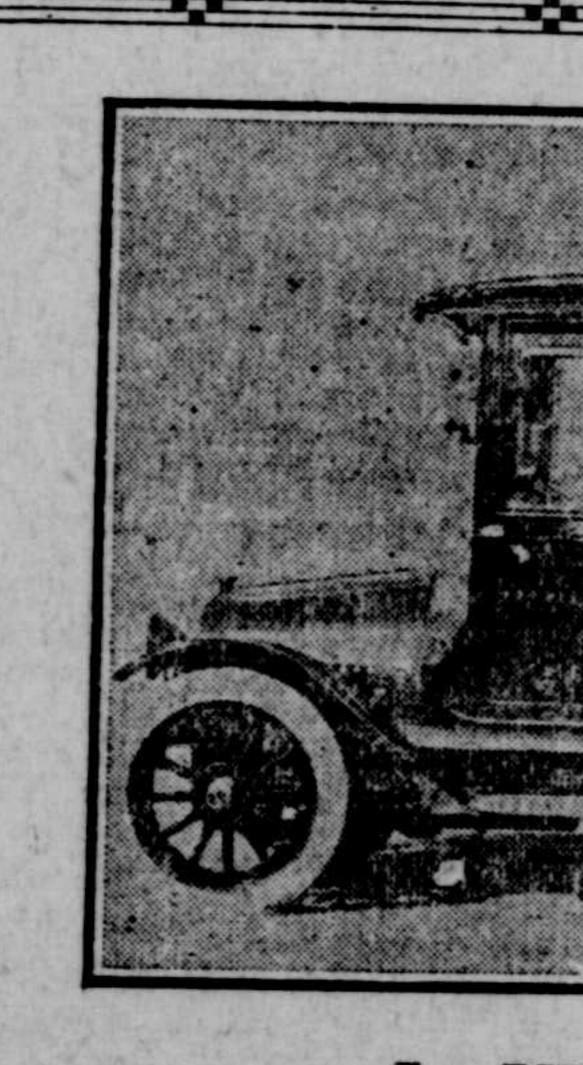
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