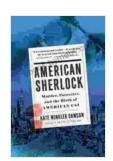
# Murder Forensics and the Birth of American CSI

### A Gripping Account of the Pioneering Forensic Scientists Who Helped Solve Some of America's Most Notorious Murders

In the early days of American crime investigation, the concept of forensics was still in its infancy. Police relied heavily on eyewitness testimony and gut instinct to solve crimes. But as the 20th century dawned, a new breed of scientist emerged, one who would revolutionize the way that crimes were investigated. These were the forensic scientists, and their work would eventually lead to the creation of the modern CSI unit.



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One of the earliest pioneers of forensic science was Dr. Oscar T. Schultz. Schultz was a chemist who developed a number of new techniques for analyzing evidence, including the use of fingerprinting and blood typing. In 1910, he was called to investigate the murder of a young woman in New

York City. The case was baffling, with no witnesses and no clear motive. But Schultz's careful analysis of the evidence eventually led to the arrest and conviction of the killer.

Another early pioneer of forensic science was Dr. Alexander Lacassagne. Lacassagne was a French physician who developed a number of new techniques for investigating crime scenes, including the use of photography and microscopy. In 1892, he was called to investigate the murder of a young woman in Lyon, France. The case was complex, with multiple suspects and conflicting evidence. But Lacassagne's careful analysis of the evidence eventually led to the arrest and conviction of the killer.

The work of Schultz, Lacassagne, and other early forensic scientists helped to establish the importance of forensic science in crime investigation. By the mid-20th century, forensic science had become an essential part of the American criminal justice system. Today, forensic scientists play a vital role in solving crimes, from analyzing DNA evidence to reconstructing crime scenes.

The history of forensic science is a fascinating one, filled with stories of brilliant scientists and groundbreaking discoveries. In this book, we will explore the birth of American CSI and the pioneering forensic scientists who helped to make it possible.

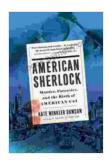
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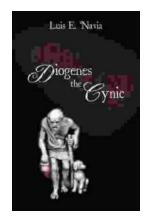
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