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The Secret Closet, Or, Let Well Enough Alone. Something more than fifty years ago, a man by the name of Henry Thompson called at the house of John Smith, a resident in a retired part of England, and requested a night's lodging.

Nothing certain, however, was known. He had arrived on horseback, and was seen passing through a neighboring village, about an hour before he reached the house where he came to his end.

It was not known that he stepped until he reached Smith's, and the next morning was discovered dead in his bed. He died then in Smith's house, and if it could be shown that he came to his death in an unnatural way, it would increase the suspicion that the prisoner was in some way connected with the murder.

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Women and Flowers. The editor of the Louisville Courier has a very readable article under this head, from which we cut the following paragraphs. It is full of the true poetry of nature and refined sentiment.

Items of News, With Editorial Sprinklings.

It is often easier to obtain favors from the pride than the charity of men. A shared preacher after an eloquent charity sermon, said to his hearers: "I am afraid from the sympathy displayed in your countenances that some of you may give too much. I caution you, therefore, that you should be just before you are generous, and wish you to understand that we desire no one who cannot pay his debts to put anything in the plate."

A small piece of paper or linen, matted with turpentine, and put into the wardrobe or drawers for a single day, two or three times a year, is a sufficient preservative against moths.

Paralitic Cases.—An agricultural author, talking of leu culture says: "Fowls that are poned up should have some kind of amusement—it is essential to their health. The kind of amusement is shelling their own corn, &c."

Singular Case.—One of the solemnest of a Jewish wedding at Aleppo, (says Mr. Russell) is fastening the eyelids together with gum. The bridegroom is the person who opens at the proper time the eyes of his bride. He does not tell whether they are to remain open the remainder of her matrimonial career.

A certain divine, who had usually a very small audience, was one day preaching with the doors were open, when he stalked a gambler and several gosses. The preacher took advantage to remark, that he could no longer blame his district for non-attendance because, though they did not attend themselves, they sent their representatives.

It is said that \$150,000 worth of strawberries will be sold in New York this season.

Hon. Reuben H. Walton has been chosen Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York. The Chancellor is a covert, as he was formerly an anti-Mason.

Landcaster Town, Mass., on Wednesday last, commemorated its two hundredth anniversary by the ringing of bells, firing of cannon, and a five processions.

The celebrated Dr. Wollaston manufactured a piece of gold wire one thirty-thousandth part of an inch in thickness, and it is calculated that the gold on the very finest silver wire for gold lace is not more than one third of one-millionth of an inch in thickness.

Days and weeks passed on, and little further was known. The public mind, however, was not at rest. Suspicion existed that foul means had been used to effect the stranger's death.

At the expiration of two months, a gentleman one day stopped in the place for the purpose of making inquiry respecting the stranger, who had been found dead in his bed. He supposed himself to be a brother of the man. The horse and clothes of the unfortunate man still remained, and were immediately known as having belonged to his brother.

The celebrated Lord Mansfield was then on the bench. He charged the grand jury to be cautious as to finding a bill against the prisoner. The evidence of his guilt, if guilty, might be small. At a future time it might be greater; more information might be obtained. Should the jury now find a bill against him, and should he be acquitted, he could not be molested again, whatever testimony should rise up against him.

The witness could further state, that after the person had returned with the light into Smith's room, and before it was extinguished, he had twice perceived some dark object to intervene between the light and the window, almost as large as the surface of a window itself, and which he described, by saying it appeared as if a door had been placed before the light.

Now, in Smith's room there was nothing which could account for this appearance; his bed was in a different part, and there was neither cupboard nor press in the room, which, but for the bed, was entirely empty, the room in which he dressed being at a distance beyond it.

With these in his possession, he left Hull on his return to London. It was not known that he stepped until he reached Smith's, and the next morning was discovered dead in his bed.

Connected with the murder. It will be proved beyond the possibility of a doubt, that the deceased died by poison. But what was the poison? It was a recent discovery of some German chemists, said to be produced from distilling seed of the wild cherry tree.

But then the question was, by whom was it administered? One circumstance, a small one indeed, and yet upon it might hang a horrid tale, was that of the stopper of a small bottle of a very singular description had been found in the prisoner's house.

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Chime Poem.

To Miss Bettie White. Forget them, all my heart low vain, Thus wildly to have spoken; The brightest link in memory's chain May not be readily broken.

Another chance for Bachelors.

We publish the following from the last Entar Wag. The custom of young ladies of "sweet eighteen" and upwards, advertising for husbands is becoming quite fashionable in the South, and is every instance solar as we have been able to learn, has proved the means of securing the ends which the fair advertisers had in view.