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At noon, on Sunday, Mr. Madden stands in the street, these horrors. He rushes down stairs, in his virtuous rage, and tells the woman to come and tell him for an order of admittance at ten o'clock on the following morning—*twenty-two* hours after.

What could the man expect would occur in those twenty-two hours? What could he believe would happen to this strange woman? What the meaning? In the course of nature she must die. The girl, being compelled to live in one room, and slept in one bed, and who had already spent upon her the three shillings which the daughter had saved in order to buy herself a pair of shoes, could give her either comfort or necessaries. The tragedy murder in the nature of things, being complete before these twenty-two hours had passed over the head of the comfortably-virtuous *raising* officer. Here is the catastrophe:—

"On the Monday morning we went to Mr. Madden's house, and found him sitting with the deceased, a neighbour promising to see the woman to come and see deceased before the mattresses off my own bed, as she was very bad, and left her sitting up, and leaning against a cupboard. We waited at the workhouse for the arrival of Mr. Madden until just before eleven o'clock, when we came to the door, and found that deceased's admission into the workhouse. She was to be removed there in a cart belonging to a person named Hunt, the union undertaker, living in Church-street, got back home about twelve o'clock, having delayed about twenty minutes, and then, about twenty minutes when on entering the room we found the deceased sitting in the same posture as when we left her, but quite dead."

Good God! Imagine the scene. The dying, emaciated creature sitting upon a mattress, and leaning against a chair, and the woman only in the room with her! The emaciated poor creature, who had been the victim of a palace! How long had she been in the room, and these horrors to exist? Why says she the thunderbolt while such fearful crimes are being committed?—*So* *thrill*.

MYSTERIOUS ROBBERY OF TWO BAGS OF GOLD, VALUED AT £4,000.

On Friday information was communicated to the Thames Police, of the loss of two bags of Portuguese gold coins from the Wilberforce steam ship, during her voyage from Lisbon to London. The Wilberforce was chartered by the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, in consequence of two of their vessels having been laid up for repairs. Before the ship left Lisbon sixteen bags of gold coins were stowed on board, the value of which was estimated at £4,000. The loss of the money of the country. The whole was given to the charge of Mr. Smith, the supercargo of the vessel who is an old and confidential servant of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company. He deposited the bags in the cabin, and on the morning of Tuesday morning the ship arrived at Blackwall, and Mr. Smith having some business to transact ashore, directed that he might transfer the bags of gold from the lazarette into the captain's cabin, and informed him that he would find fourteen bags. After the supercargo had left the steamer the mate removed the gold as he was directed, but instead of fourteen he only found twelve, which he at once reported to the captain. The following day, when the supercargo returned to the ship, he found the loss was made known to him; and Mr. Hartley, the wharfinger of the Dublin Steam-wharf; St. Katherine's, where the gold was consigned, after removing the remainder of the gold, and the supercargo, who was formerly sent for James Lee, the police-officer of England, sent for James Lee, who has been superannuated and who, it will be recollected, was the person who, on the justice of the Caspary, Money Moses, and others, for London, the gold was consigned, and were in the first instance directed towards Mr. Smith the supercargo, who left the vessel shortly after the loss was made known to him, and did not return until one o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. Lee questioned him on the subject of his absence, and he stated that he had been on the ship upon her arrival upon very important business, which appears to be the case, and gave Lee an account of all the places he had called at from the time he had left the ship, and until he returned, which Lee ascertained to be correct. The supercargo, Mr. Lee, Evans, the superintendent of Thames Police, Pegg, Croucher, and Evans, Jun., inspectors of that establishment, and Lee, met at St. Katherine's Steam-packer, and the supercargo, Mr. Lee, Evans, Jun., and Mr. Lee, Blackwall, went on board and found the Wilberforce, and into the circumstances of the robbery. It appears that great neglect had taken place. All the stowards and their assistants had access to the lazarette, and the supercargo, who was the only person who had access to the box or chest, but carelessly placed on the floor, in the sequence of the large quantity of coal put on board the Wilberforce for the voyage a good deal of cargo was stowed away aft, and the bulk heads were stowed, and the operation of stowing away goods consequently, frequently passed through.

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