



Wilts Village Troubled By A Mystery

Cricket Stump Clue In Bed

Cricket gear and whist tables and whist tables were destroyed by a fire which burnt down in an army hut used as a recreation room and cricket pavilion at Great Chalfield, near Melksham.

It was given to the district by Major Robert and Mrs. Fuller.

At the same time the hall boy at Great Chalfield Manor the home of Major Fuller, who sleeps in a room outside, found his home safe had been taken in his absence.

The night after the fire Mr. Nicholls, an engineer, who sleeps in a room over the garage went to see Mr. George Church, and was absent some time.

When he returned he found a cricket stump on his bed.

Thinking someone had been playing a joke he returned and told Mr. Church about it.

Later he found his wallet with over £7 in it had gone.

Had Mr. Nicholls returned before the intruder had secured what he had come for the cricket stump would have no doubt been used on his head as he went up the ladder which leads from the garage to his room

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