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A melancholy accident happened at Seend on Tuesday last week. A man named Light, who had just quitted the service of Mr Simpkins of Alton as groom, had re-engaged himself to Mr Brown of Hazelbury, and as he was a married man Mr Brown had kindly sent a waggon to Alton to bring his little matters of household furniture to his new abode. Light's wife, it appears, had an uncle and aunt living at Seend, and wishing to take the opportunity of spending a short time with them on her road to Hazelbury, she wrote the old couple, and asked them to meet her and her husband at The New Inn. When the waggon arrived at the inn, there were the old people, and a very happy hour was passed between them; and wishing to see as much of each other as possible, it was proposed, when the waggon again proceeded on its journey, that the old folks, instead of going back to Seend village over the bridge near the New Inn, should accompany it as far as the road leading to the Seend railway station, and return by that route to the village.

They accordingly all set out from the inn; the old man walking by the side of the waggon. But they had hardly gone a couple of hundred yards on the road, before he stumbled in endeavouring to get into the waggon, and before the carter could stop the horses, the wheels had passed over him and killed him on the spot.

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