

But about eleven o'clock, her husband being then out, and Mrs Wolfe having come in, she began to fear that something might be the matter; and she and Mrs Wolfe went up stairs and knocked at the door. They listened awhile, but there was no answer. They then tried to open the door, but found it locked. Being then thoroughly alarmed, one of them ran down stairs, and called a man who chanced to be passing in the street to come and break the door open. The man did so; and on entering they found the floor littered with small pieces of paper, and Chatterton lying on the bed, with his legs hanging over, quite dead. The bed had not been lain in. The man took up some of the pieces of paper; and on one of them he read, in the deceased's own handwriting, the words,—'I leave my soul to its Maker, my body to my mother and sisters, and my curse to Bristol. If Mr Ca——': the rest was torn off. 'The man then said,' relates Mrs Angell, 'that he must have killed himself; which we did not think till then. Mrs Wolfe ran immediately for Mr Cross, who came, and was the first to point out a bottle on the window containing arsenic and water. Some of the bits of arsenic were between his teeth, so that there was no doubt that he had poisoned himself.'—*August 23, 1856.*

A STRANGE STORY, BUT TRUE.*

It is now nearly forty years since an operative mason, somewhat dissipated in his habits, and a little boy, his son, who had completed his twelfth year only a few weeks previous, were engaged in repairing a tall, ancient domicile, in one of the humbler streets of Plymouth. The mason was employed in re-laying some of the roofing: the little boy, who acted as his labourer, was busied in carrying up slates and lime along a long ladder. The afternoon was slowly wearing through,

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