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PAINFULLY SUDDEN DEATH

We deeply regret to record the death of Mr. W. GRAY, a well-known and highly-respected gentleman, who has resided for some years at Barfield. It seems, however, that he had taken Eastfield, Dover-street, and on Tuesday last was superintending the removal of his furniture to that residence. Although he had been in very ill health for some time, Mr. GRAY, we understand, pointed out to the workmen where to hang the pictures, &c. He was warned by his son-in-law, Dr. RICH, not to over-exert himself, but he paid little heed to the warning and returned a jocular answer. A short time afterwards he was missed, and search was made for him. Eventually he was found in the water-closet, quite dead. He had ruptured a blood vessel and had bled to death. The greatest sympathy is felt for the family in their bereavement under such sudden and painful circumstances.

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