

Death and Snuff.

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A certain Margaret Wilson of Westminster, who was an inveterate snuff-taker, enjoined that a quantity of Scotch snuff should be placed in her coffin. She also ordered that the arrangements connected with her funeral should be as follows: "Six men to be my bearers, who are known to be the greatest snuff-takers in the parish of St. James's, Westminster. Instead of mourning, each to wear a snuff-colored beaver hat, which I desire may be bought for the purpose and given to them. Six maidens of my old acquaintance to bear my pall, each to carry a box filled with the best Scotch snuff, to take for their refreshment as they go along." Snuff was also to be thrown on the threshold of deceased's house before the funeral cortège passed out; snuff was to be strewn on the ground at every twenty yards in advance of the coffin, and the officiating clergyman's fee was to be proportionate to the quantity of snuff he consumed during the ceremony.

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