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The case discloses a most horrible murder, & the public interest demands, that the perpetrator of the crime, should suffer death. But the public interest also demands, that the prisoner, even if he be guilty, shall not be convicted, unless his guilt can be proved according to the law of the land.

The conversation between Mr. Scott, & the deceased, ought not to have been admitted as evidence; at all events, no part of it - except, that the deceased said, she was going to the Bates' place = Here, what the deceased said, in regard to the prisoner having come just before day - & where he was, & that she expected to meet him - can in any sense be considered a part of the act of the deceased, = being on her father's mare bare back, with a bundle of clothes in her lap, & coming from her father's past A. Scott's house, where the witness met her in the road; we are unable to perceive -