

File 20080915.1934: *nuncius inanimatus* by Francis Godwin, mentioned by Wilkins in [3], is a book about telegraphy [1], not information security, although Thomas Smith's English translation of 1657 is said in [2, p. 93] to mention ...detecting all Lying and falsehood'.

References

- [1] William Poole. *Nuncius Inanimatus*. seventeenth century telegraphy: the schemes of Francis Godwin and Henry Reynolds. *The Seventeenth Century*, XXI(1):45–72, Spring 2006.
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- [3] John Wilkins. *Mercvry, or the Secret and Swift Messenger: Shewing, How a Man may with Privacy and Speed communicate his Thoughts to a Friend at any distance*. Printed by I. Norton, for Iohn Maynard, and Tomothy Wilkins, and are to be fold at the George in Fleetstreet, neere Saint Dunstons Church, London, 1641.