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CTF Quest

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The 1810 London Hoax – OSINT Writeup

In 1810, one of the most famous practical jokes in British history took place on Berners Street, London.

Various professionals such as doctors, bakers, coffin makers, and furniture movers were summoned to the same house at the same time.

By midday, the street was filled with chaos as crowds gathered to watch the confusion.

The mastermind behind this hoax was Theodore Hook, a well-known writer and prankster. Though he never officially admitted to organizing the prank at the time, historians later connected him to the incident.

Decades later, Hook published a semi-autobiographical novel titled 'Gilbert Gurney'. In this novel, a very similar prank is described in detail, leading many to believe it was his indirect confession.

Thus, the novel 'Gilbert Gurney' serves as the clue's answer in the CTF challenge.

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