

The mysterious disappearance of Mr. ISAIAH SMITH, of Middletown, has caused a deal of unhappiness to his relatives and friends. He had recently concluded a bargain with his brother-in-law, Mr. JOSHUA C. BROWN, to conduct his farm while he made a journey to California and Nevada Territory, and was about to visit Brighton to purchase some stock. On Tuesday of last week, Mr. SMITH drew \$300 of a deposit of \$650 that he had in the Savings Bank, and Wednesday evening visited ANDERSON'S Barber Saloon, where he was shaved and had his hair cut. Since that time nothing has been heard from him. When he was first missed, it was generally supposed that he had been foully dealt with by two men who had formerly been soldiers and were on the island in quest of an intimate friend of his, who at one time was employed in procuring recruits for Middletown, who the men contended, had caused their assignment to the Middletown quota instead of Providence, whereby they were allowed less bounty than they anticipated. The swamps were searched and every effort made to find his body, but on Saturday, when it was ascertained that he had been in the city the Wednesday evening previous, matters assumed a new phase and it is now generally supposed that he had some secret cause for absenting himself from home. We hope this supposition will prove correct and his whereabouts made known, as such mysterious transactions cause much sympathetic feeling and tend to create false conceptions.