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mains were removed by the widow, and placed in another lot in the same cemetery. daughter filed a bill in equity to compel the restoration of the remains to their first resting place. The widow demurred to the bill for want of equity. The other defendant submitted to such order as the court might make in the The court, in overruling the demurrer. was of opinion that the remains should be restored to the place from which they had been taken. The view taken was that the person having charge of a body (in this case the corporation defendant) holds it as a sacred trust for the benefit of all who have an interest in it from family or friendship and that a court of equity Will regulate this trust and change the custody if improperly managed. In this view, it was said, that it was not necessary to decide what might have been done had the child assented, or what the child might do of herself; and further that, although a body is not property, it may be considered a sort of quasi property to which certain persons may have rights, as they have duties, towards it arising out of common humanity. This case contains a very full discussion of the question.

The latest case we have found, except the principal case, is Secor's Case, 31 Leg. Int. 268. There it appeared that the widow of the deceased had decently interred her husband's remains, when his son, who averted that he had purchased a lot of ground pursuant to the instructions of his father (for a family burying-ground) insisted upon that being the proper place of interment. The Supreme Court for King's county, New York, upon motion of the widow, granted a perpetual injunction to restrain the son from removing the remains of his father. Pratt, J., in delivering judgment, said: "A proper respect for the dead, a regard for the tender sensibilities of the living, and the due preservation of the public health, require that a corpse should not be disinterred or transported from place to place, except under extreme circumstances of exigency." This ruling was sustained on appeal.

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