To hoodwink and fool the people, People of both French and English. So the papers, Star and Witness, Called on doctors learned and wise, Asking and beseeching of them Something wonderful, mysterious, To "stamp out" the plague, small-pox. All the doctors met in council, French and English came together, Looking owlish and mysterious, To prepare a powerful fetish; Fetish that would save the people From the dread disease zymotic, Now grown strong, in filth abounding. They selected for their chairman Dr. Peacock, noted for his arrogance, Who appeared upon the platform Holding in his hand a paper, On which was written words of magic; Words describing a rare fetish That would save, would save the people From the dread disease, small-pox.

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