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THE DESERTED VILLAGE - - Once a prosperous fishing village, Hallsands is now a desolate mass of ruins with but one inhabitant.

-S. Devon-

Picture:- A village, with only one inhabitant ! Start Point Lighthouse in South Devon, still flashes its beams--

--over Hallsands village and Miss Prettyjohns, its queen without--
--a subject. Miss Prettyjohns was the inkeeper's daughter, only the sea swallowed--
--up the Inn and half the village with it.--

That was the village hall. The click of dominoes is heard no more, although ghostly 'draughts' still hannt the place. There used to be a beach of dry shingle--

--which sheltered the fishing boats from the gales, but that followed the Inn naturally, being--

--dry. In fact, when the Inn went, the whole place and--
--population of one hundred sort of fell away, leaving only the--

--steadfast Inkeeper's daughter, who lives alone with her chickens, and is therefore happy. SHE WAS ONLY AN INKEEPER'S DAUGHTER,--

--BUT THE SEAS WASHED HER PUBLIC AWAY.