



A Typical Raging Barn Fire

Farm Blaze 1801

On Sunday the 22nd of November last, a dreadful fire broke out in the rick yard of John Hughes, in the parish of Bremhill, Wilts, which burnt with the greatest fury till it had consumed three ricks of hay, one of wheat, one of beans and another of clover seed, besides a considerable quantity of barley in the barn, which with the stable was burnt down, amounting to upwards of three hundred pounds.

He sincerely thanks his friends and neighbours for their ready endeavours to extinguish the flames, and also for their hind assistance to support him in the farm, that he might be enabled to maintain his wife and family of small children. As the sums already collected are very inadequate, he most humbly solicits further help from the benevolent and humane in the city of Bath, who so generously step forward on all occasions to relieve the distressed.

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