

Village Celebrations

Durrington

On Friday the 15th ult. the village of Durrington presented a delightful scene of festive happiness. In a pleasant field near the Church were placed tables and seats for 400 persons, and the inhabitants, by subscription, regaled the poor with abundance of roast beef, roast and boiled mutton, plum pudding, and strong beer. Much credit is due to the stewards (particularly Geo. Moore, Esq. Chairman) for their active exertions on promoting the comfort of all present: the dinner was served with as much order and regularity as in a private family; and when all ranks had drank health to the great characters of the day, they joined in a merry dance, which was kept up with much spirit and delight till ten o'clock, when the company retired well pleased with their entertainment. The abundance of provisions which remained furnished an excellent supper for the poor on the following evening, and a hogshead of strong beer crowned their enjoyment, and enabled them to shew their loyalty and gratitude by acting over again the scenes of the preceding day.- On the 22nd ult. the poor of the village of Milston were entertained, by subscription, in a manner exactly similar to those of Durrington.

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