

Rural Farm Fire

Fire Destroys Farmhouse Dairy at Bremhill 1908

Just before one o'clock on Saturday morning, Cullompton Fire Brigade received a call from Ashill. Within a few minutes Captain Brooks and three of the Brigade were on their way to the scene of the fire, which they reached within an hour. On arrival they found that the thatched dairy at Bremhill, owned and occupied by Mr Manley, was a total wreck.

The fire had raged for a considerable time. Other members of the Brigade arriving, they turned their attention to cutting off the flames from the outbuildings, the greater part of which were saved, as well as a rick of 8 tons of hay. Owing to the scarcity of water, the engine was not taken, but buckets of water were poured on the flames. The fire originated in the chimney. The property was insured.

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