



Rowde - A fire broke out at this place on Monday afternoon last, by which three cottages were burned to the ground, and in extinguishing which, another was unroofed and otherwise injured. The fire originated in the overheating of a fire, one of the women living in the house where the fire broke out being about to commence washing. Immediately on the fire being discovered, messengers were despatched to Devises for the fire-engines, which speedily proceeded to the place. Every exertion was used by the firemen and the neighbours to extinguish the flames. This, however, they were not able to do, the fire spreading rapidly, in consequence of the houses being old and thatched. The day was fortunately calm, or nothing could have saved the whole of the houses adjoining. The poor people living in the cottages were much alarmed and sustained some little loss of furniture, &c., but no one was personally injured. The contents of many of the surrounding houses were removed, as it was apprehended the fire would spread; but this was prevented by the communication being cut off, and by the effective services of the fire-engines, under the superintendance of Mr. Romain. The cottages, which belonged to a person named Noad, had been insured till within the last three years, when the payments were discontinued. Mr. Noad will, of course, be a considerable sufferer from the accident.

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