

John Benett, (1773- 1852) of Pythouse, Wilts Member of Parliament for Wiltshire 1819 to 1852

Entertainment in celebration of Mr. Benett's Election

On the 28th ult. ... On the same day, the principal habitants of Great Wishford and South Newton, gave a supper, and plenty of strong beer, to nearly 500 persons, in commemoration of Mr. Benett's election.

A spacious booth, decorated with laurels, &c. was erected on Stoford Hill for the occasion; and excellent band attended; the bells rang merrily; many excellent songs were sung; and the merry dance was kept up with great spirit to a late hour.

The utmost harmony prevailed throughout the evening.

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