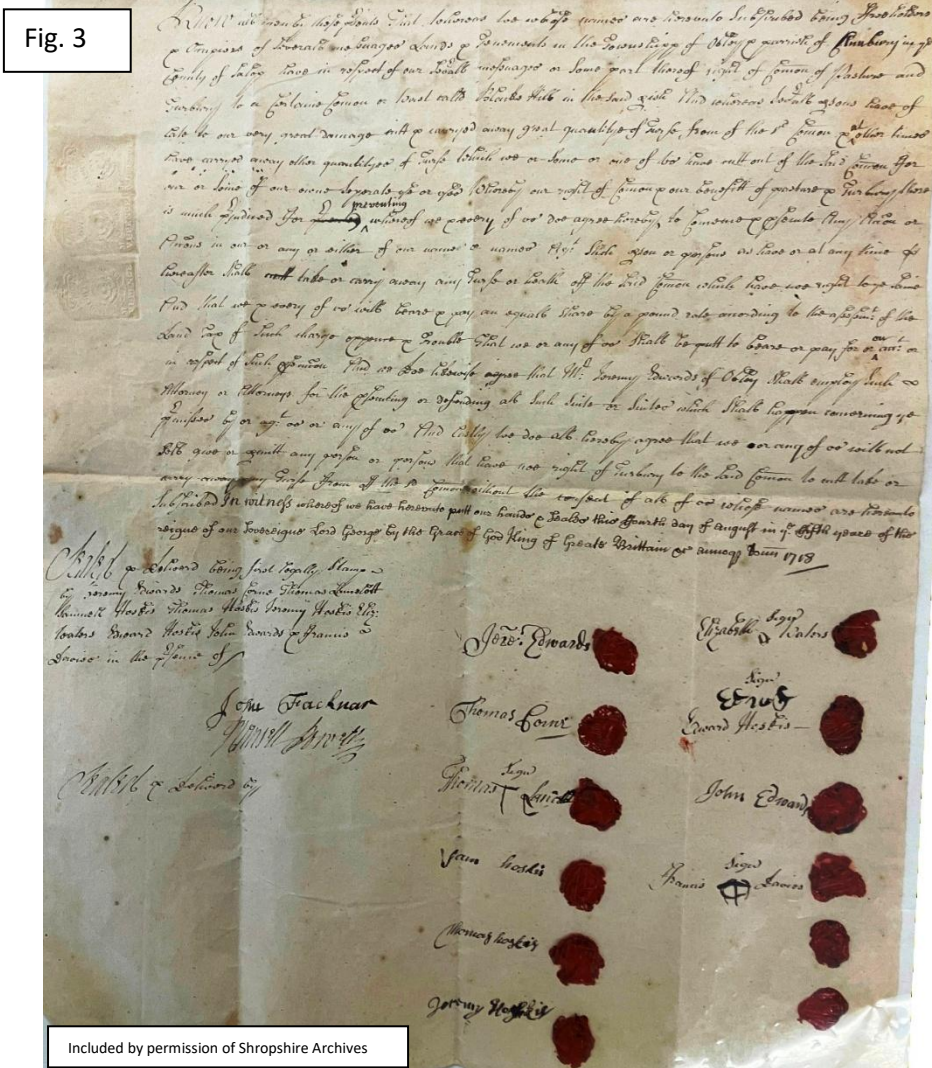


Obley³ shall employ such attorney or attorneys for the presenting or defending all such suits or similar which shall happen'.

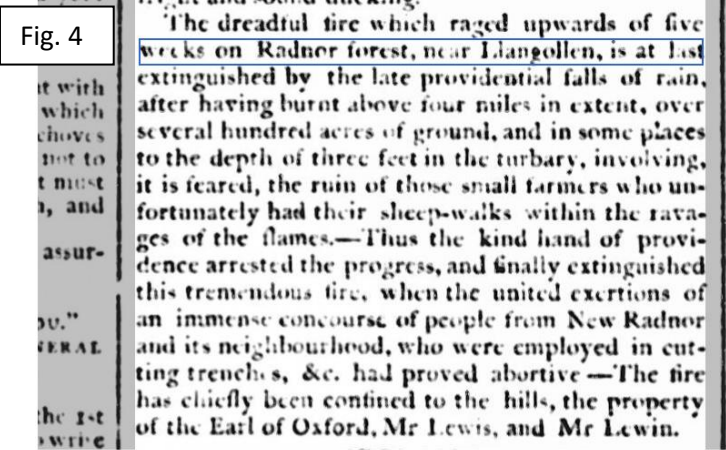
Clearly, the resources of Black Hill were valued by all the residents and worth defending by those who held the rights to graze and cut peat. It is not known whether the threatened legal action had to be enforced.



Apart from possible legal action, other danger existed in the form of wildfire. Of course, fire does not discriminate

and provides the same threat to peat cutters, farmers, other users of hill land as well as domesticated, wild animals and vegetation. Fig. 4 illustrates this point from the summer of 1800 when Radnor Forest was subject to weeks of wildfire which was reported throughout the nation. Whilst one might reasonably argue with the Newcastle Courant concerning the location of Radnor Forest, the haphazard nature of such fires is well expressed.

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³ Jeremy Edwards was great grandfather of the James Edwards that was cited in the 1854 Award. James was uncle of William Edwards who in 1850, for inheritance reasons, became William Edwards Brettell Vaughan.