

We have the painful duty to announce the death of John Ikin, Esq. of Rawhead-House, Mirfield, under the most melancholy circumstances. It appears that Mr. Ikin left Huddersfield on Thursday evening, soon after seven o'clock, mounted upon a spirited horse, and, as is his practice, was riding at a great speed. When he had got about two miles and a half from Huddersfield, on his way home, he met a post-chaise travelling with company from Leeds to Huddersfield. The night was not particularly dark, but the violent speed at which he was riding probably prevented him from observing the approach of the vehicle, and his horse, which took the wrong side of the road, coming in contact with the other horses, he was thrown by the concussion from his seat, and fell with his head against the corner of the chaise, with such fatal violence, as to occasion his instant death. The sensation produced in the neighbourhood, and particularly in his own family, by this dreadful event, we shall not attempt to describe.