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VILLAGERS' DESPERATE BATTLE.  
DROUGHT HAMPERS FIREMEN.  
FIVE COTTAGES DESTROYED.

-Wiltshire-

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Picture.:-

The sleepy little village of Collingbourne Kingston, Wiltshire, has--

--had the greatest excitement and disaster of its history.

A car was being refuelled with petrol. It backfired and--  
--in two shakes the place was burning. Rows of cottages--  
--became involved, and five were completely gutted. There is the petrol--

--pump which started the trouble. The whole village population turned out to fight--

--the flames. Firemen could not help owing to their being--

--no water supply. Luckily the local 'pub is intact. That's where I got the story !