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have undertaken Barbers Taylors Shoemakers
~~the Mechan~~ & all mechanics bred in Town
to live in great Towns - are inured to habits
very unfit for ~~such~~ undertakings wch require
hardiness - resolution - industry & Patience
— Nothing so easy as to bear hardships in a good
house by a good fire side with clothes provisions &c
— Seneca with some thousands of Ann wrote
very learnedly in praise of Poverty — Master
Stephen B — thinks with a good house he
could be very well content to stay here a little
while & endure hardships —

Sunday 25. Locating People the fore part of
the day — at home. weather very fine &
pleasant

Monday 26 — all the morning Locating as usual
about Noon broke out a most furious fire &
sawee among the dry stuff in the streets —

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suspected to have been kindled on purpose
It is not improbable that may be case —
tho the ignorance — Stupidity — & carelessness
of the bulk of the Collection here is sufficient
to produce any such disastrous events —

— It has ended with fewer fatal consequences
than might have been expected — one or two
families ^{only} have lost ^{or} all — some others have
met with considerable losses — ~~their acci-~~
~~dent~~ ~~was~~ ~~with~~ ~~occasion~~ — There is now such
a damned noise with singing in our Tent
it is impossible to recollect any other cir-
cumstances — weather very fine wind

Wly

Tuesday 27 — Ashore promoting firing People
down on their Sands — Yesterday's fire out