

## Serious Stack Fire at Dore

A stack fire of rather considerable dimensions occurred to-day at Rycroft farm, Dore, occupied by Mr. Alfred Moseley. In the stack yard close to the house was a rick of this year's hay containing about 30 tons. At half-past ten o'clock this morning one of the farm hands named John Fisher noticed that one side of the rick was in flames. He informed Mr. Moseley of the fact, and as the flames were rapidly spreading a telephone message was despatched from the house of Mr. Beeston, Dore, to the Fire Station, Sheffield. Until the arrival of the brigade Mr. Fisher, assisted by several farm hands, endeavoured as far as possible, to keep the flames from spreading. The message was received at the Fire Station at 8 minutes past eleven, and Supt. Pound at once set off for the fire with the tender and a staff of men. The farm was reached at 11.53, and at that time the stack was blazing fiercely on every side. Fortunately there was a hydrant in the farmyard, and to this the hose was attached. A good supply of water was obtained, and the fire was attacked on two sides. The firemen soon obtained the mastery of the flames, and about an hour later all danger was practically at an end. The damage, which is covered by insurance, will probably amount to about £40 or £50. The fire is supposed to be due to spontaneous combustion.