

**FIRE AT A FARM, CAUSED BY THE USE OF A NAKED CANDLE.**—While Mrs. Luke Stancliffe was attending five of her husband's cows on Saturday evening at Upper Cockley Hill, Kirkheaton Moor, a cow knocked over the candlestick, setting fire to the mistal, and causing the destruction of one of the cows, injury to a second, and the entire gutting of a pile of farm buildings, embracing cow-house, stabling, and barn, the freehold being the property of the Whiteley Hall Estate. Colonel Sir Charles Firth arrived on the scene of the fire about seven o'clock, with his mansion fire-engine brigade from Belle Grove, Hopton, this being the only fire-engine on the spot. He also brought woollen sheeting, saturated in water, which was spread over two stacks of hay, valued respectively at £50. The proximity of the stacks placed them in much danger, but they were entirely saved, as was also a large amount of corn, by removing it from the chamber of the barn by a willing number of the farmer's neighbours. Messrs. Ainley and Sons' fire-brigade, under the command of Mr. W. Ainley, arrived with water barrels from Kirkheaton, a stand-pipe being fixed by them a quarter of a mile from the scene, supplied with Huddersfield town water, so that by the joint services of the two brigades good service was rendered. Neither tenant nor landlord were insured. The fire brigades of Messrs. Ainley and Son did not finish till six o'clock on Sunday morning, Sir Charles Firth's fire engine remaining over Sunday in readiness. The damage to buildings is £200, to live and general stock and implements £300. The Huddersfield Corporation Steam Fire Brigade and Messrs. Wheatley's (Mirfield) Fire Brigade were telegraphed not to attend, though apprised of the fire.