

STEEPLE BARTON.—SERIOUS FIRE.—On Wednesday night, October 10, a fire broke out at New Barn Farm, (Mr. J. R. Tims). The fire brigades from Woodstock, Steeple Aston, Blenheim, Deddington were in attendance, and with their combined efforts the fire was got well under about ten o'clock. Owing to the scarcity of water, the Blenheim engine was not used. Six ricks of hay and straw were destroyed. The Woodstock brigade was under Captain Baubury, and Mr. H. Pratt, of the Bear Hotel, supplied horses for the Woodstock and Blenheim engines. A number of the firemen remained all night to get the fire thoroughly extinguished. Mr. Tims is insured in the County Fire Office.