Fires in Sheffield

Two fires occurred in Sheffield on Saturday, but fortunately neither of them was attended with serious consequences. The first broke out at the gable end of a house occupied by Mr. Joseph Needham, in Caxton road. It is supposed that the chimney got on fire and a spark ignited the gable. The Fire Brigade were apprised of the occurrence, and Superintendent Pound was quickly on the spot; but in the meantime, some joiners working close to had procured a ladder, and going up to the roof, extinguished the flames, the damage being very slight. The house is insured in the Alliance Insurance Office.

The second out break occurred in the afternoon on the premises of Messrs. Young, Wilson, and Co., East parade, and it is supposed was caused by a spark from one chimney falling into another, which was blocked, and ignited some soot. This was the caretaker's bedroom, in which the fire place was blocked by a piece of board, close to which was the bed. The lighted soot quickly extended to the piece of board, and thence to the bed, and when Superintendent Pound and two men arrived with the hand pump the bed was in flames. These, however, were soon extinguished, and beyond the bedding being destroyed no great damage was done. The furniture was not insured, but the building is insured in the Alliance Office.