

BIG TIMBER BLAZE.

One of London's biggest timber yard fires for more than 20 years, occurred at Hackney when thousands of tons of timber were destroyed. Four hundred firemen and A.F.S. men with a hundred fire engines fought the raging inferno.

Over six miles of hose were used to attack the devouring flames which, at times rose to 80 feet.

The heat was so terrific that several men were overcome.

With their wooden foundations ablaze, five ten ton cranes crashed from the wharf, their iron work twisted into fantastic shapes.

For many hours the firemen fought the blaze before getting it under control. It is believed that the fire was started by a spark from a railway engine. A serious loss with wood so scarce.