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BIG FIRE IN LEITH - - Grain warehouse with contents completely destroyed by early morning conflagration.

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Picture.:- The demon of fire has again descended upon the Edinburgh district. This is the--

--sixth serious brigade call this year, against only two last year. A three-storey building stocked with grain and oil-cake was observed to be on fire at 1.30.a.m.

Brigades were notified, and a general call--

--issued. The whole street was threatened. With the aid--

--of several engines and the force of some forty firemen, the flames were confined to the one--

--building. Children going to school chanced a couple of--

--strokes to see what had happened. Only the shell of the huge building could--

--be saved. Thirty thousand pounds gone up in smoke. A sad disaster in these difficult days.