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NEWS IN BRIEF.

(2). Picture .: The woman at the cross-roads. But this one helps-

-- other people to beware. Mrs.McAllan watches the level crossing at Drymen, near Lock--

--Lomond, a rare occupation for a woman. Her mother did it before her, and her grand-mother before that. The job is a sort of family heirloom. Their finances--

-- need never feel a 'draught' while they shut that gate.

(2). Picture .: - America, Illinois ! The weekly --

--greatest fire breaks out. Again --

-it is the worst in years. Starting--

--in a garage it gobbles--

--up two other buildings before--

--400 fire-fighters could--

-- get it under control.

A million-dollars worth of--

--automobiles destroyed. Putting all this right again--

- - should reduce the city's unemployment.

A fire that will make the-

-- insurance companys go hot under the collar.

(3). Picture. :- This model shows how Manchester proposes to get--

-- a strangle-held on the slum problem. The scheme includes a public hall, shops--

--pram stores, and a communal wash-house, to keep the party clean.