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at the lattic Wastaam School on "The historic migration of nations." It proved to be one of the most interesting lectures that have been given at any of the meetings of the Society. It was followed by an excellent discussion. Mr. F. G. Marriage, J.P., presided.

HEMPSTEAD.

Fire.-At 3.30 on Tuesday morning a fire was discovered in a stackyard at Phillips Farm, belonging to Mr. Thos. Alfred Andrews. The outbreak was first seen by Mr. O. Reader, who saw the reflection of the flames from his window at Calthornes Farm. half a mile away. Mr. Reader called Henry Foster, and together they went to the scene and aroused Mr. Andrews, who was in hed. A stack was well nlight, and the men turned their attention to prevent the flames spreading to other stacks. In this they were successful, and the Saffron Walden Fire Brigade, which arrived at 6.45 a.m., under Major W. F. Ackland, found a good supply of water, and quickly had the fire under control.