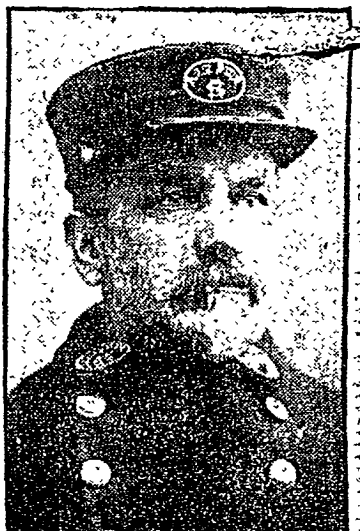


BYINGTON ADVANCED.

Promoted to the Grade of District Chief.

Succeeds Porter as Superintendent of Repairs.

Eugene M. Byington, who since January, 1906, has been supervisor of fire engines in the fire department, was yesterday named by Fire Commissioner Parker as superintendent of repairs to succeed Dist Chief Alfred J. Porter, who was discharged from the department last week following his conviction in the superior criminal court on a serious charge and his subsequent sentence to state prison for a term of not more than seven or less than four years.



DIST CHIEF EUGENE M. BYINGTON.

Chief Byington has been in the department 36 years. His advancement gives him the rank of district chief and a salary of \$2000. Dist Chief Byington was born in Ashburnham 60 years ago, and became identified with the fire department in November, 1873, when he was assigned to engine 23, remaining there until September of the following year. In 1891 he went to the repair shop. Jan 24, 1895, he became second assistant to the superintendent and on May 22, 1896, he became first assistant. The position of supervisor of engines was created by Commissioner Wells in January, 1906, and Mr. Byington was again advanced.

Capt William M. Lynch, until recently at engine 43, has been appointed acting assistant superintendent of repairs, but will be permanently installed in the position later, it is understood. Lynch is an expert machinist. Feb 2, 1883, he was appointed to the department, being assigned to the repair shop. Oct 13, 1883, he was made assistant engineer at engine 26, Sept 15, 1885, engineer for steamer 15, July 2, 1897, lieutenant of engines 38-39, and June 26, 1908, captain of engine 43.

The promotions will take effect at 10 this morning, at which time six transfers will also be ordered. Engine company 24, Warren st, Roxbury, Capt John N. Lally, has been shaken up considerably according to the order.

The transfers are: Assistant engineer Michael J. Fallon, engine 24 to engine 13; hoseman Cornelius J. Doherty, engine 24 to ladder 4; hoseman John J. Whalen, engine 24 to ladder 6; ladderman William Chittick, ladder 6 to engine 24; hoseman Joseph F. Rorke, ladder 4 to engine 21, and assistant engineer George W. Barnard, engine 13 to engine 24.