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## **Lieut Peter Murphy of Brighton Joined the Department in the Days of the Hand Engines.**

Lieut. Peter Murphy of ladder 11, one of the oldest and best known firemen in Brighton, died yesterday at his home on Parsons st. He had been for 38 years connected with the fire department, beginning with the hand engines.

He was a Brighton boy and served all his time as a fireman in that district. He was born Feb 16, 1851. When a boy of 16 he joined the famous Butcher Boy hand engine company. He remained with this company six years and became its assistant foreman. In September, 1873, he went to the Thomas C. Amory engine, and remained with it until the F. A. Whitney was placed in commission, when he joined that company.

When the fire department was reorganized in 1874 he was transferred to engine 29, Chestnut Hill av, where he was driver for 16 years. In 1890 he was made lieutenant and transferred to engine 34, Western av, and a few years later to ladder 11.

Lieut Murphy had a host of friends not only in Brighton, but throughout the city, and when he was stricken with paralysis a few weeks ago there was universal sympathy for him.