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Was Veteran Fireman and Superintendent of Department Repair Shop.

Henry R. Demary, superintendent of the repair shop of the Boston fire department, died at 3 this morning, at his home, 81 Blue Hill av, Roxbury. Mr Demary had been sick only a week, having taken to his room last Saturday, suffering with peritonitis. Blood poisoning caused his death. Mr Demary was one of the best known men in the department and was universally beloved and respected.

Superintendent Demary was born in Weathersfield, Vt, Sept 6, 1838. He learned the machinist's trade at Manchester, N H, and saw his first fire service in that city as a member of the Niagara engine company, 2, located at the machine shop.

When the war of the rebellion broke out he was one of the first to offer his services, enlisting in the Mechanicsfield, N H, ranks, in which he served three months. Upon his discharge he reenlisted with Sherman's express at Fort Royal, with which command he remained four months.

In 1862 he came to Boston and joined engine company 11 in May, 1868, as a call man. In this capacity he was an active fighter of fires and was the hero of many exciting adventures. At the Sammet mattress fire, at the corner of Hanover and Blackstone sts, he distinguished himself by his bravery and daring. At this fire he nearly lost his life, being crushed under the front wall, which fell out, and received injuries from which he never fully recovered.

Sept 21, 1877, he was transferred to the repair shop. He was promoted to assistant foreman July 15, 1883, and two years later raised to the position of superintendent.

As superintendent he had charge of repairing of apparatus in the department, and was also expected to be at the scene of fires on the second alarm.

Mr Demary was a member of King Philip lodge, 33, Knights of Pythias, Boston veteran firemen's association, and Firemen's charitable association.

The funeral will be held next Tuesday afternoon, at 2, at his late home. It is expected that Rev C. H. Beale will conduct the services. The funeral will be attended by a large delegation from the fire department.

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