

DEATH OF CAPT JOHN READY.

Popular Fire Fighter of the Brighton District Succumbed to an Operation.

Capt John Ready of engine company 34, Western av, Brighton, died at the Massachusetts General hospital at 3:30 yesterday afternoon. Early in the afternoon he had undergone an operation to remove a growth on his kidney. To all appearances the operation was successful. Capt Ready came out of the effects of the ether and talked with his brother. He seemed to be doing even better than was hoped, when about 3 o'clock a relapse set in, and a half-hour later he was dead. The family were summoned from their home on Bennett st, Brighton.

ed to engine 26, Mason st, where he remained nearly seven years. As a reward for his good work he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant Feb 10, 1893, and was sent to engine 6, Leverett st, remaining there until Feb 11, 1898, when he was transferred to chemical engine company 6, Harvard av, Allston.

Brighton is not much of a place for fires, and the department realized that he was too valuable a man to leave in such a place, and so when a vacancy occurred the following July among the captains he was given the berth and sent to engine 5, Marlon st, East Boston. On April 26, 1901, he was shifted to engine 36, Monument st, Charlestown, where he remained until Feb 6, 1903, when once again he was transferred to his old home district and placed in command of engine 34, Western av, Brighton.

Last Saturday Capt Ready announced his intention of being absent from duty for a few days. He went to the hospital and made arrangements for the operation which he hoped would alleviate the trouble which had been affecting his kidneys for some time. Sunday he came back to his home and the operation was not performed until yesterday afternoon. He leaves a wife and five children.



CAPT JOHN READY.

Of Engine 34, Western av, Brighton, Who Died at the Massachusetts General Hospital Yesterday.

There was no more popular man in the fire department than Capt Ready. His friends were legion, and when the news of his death began to circulate yesterday afternoon heart-felt expressions of regret were heard on all sides. Every one had a good word for him. Although only recently stationed in Brighton, he was born and had lived there for many years. He had been in the department 21 years and was considered one of the most reliable and efficient men in the service. His courage was unquestionable, and as a commander he always had the love and respect of the men under him.

John Ready was born in Brighton, Nov 12, 1854, and was educated in the public schools. Before entering the fire department he engaged as a shipper and his appointment to the service was on March 6, 1882. His first company was ladder 11, Chestnut Hill av, Brighton. His rating was changed from call man to substitute Oct 20, 1883, and he was transferred to engine 7 on East st in the city proper. Feb 16, 1885, he was created a full-fledged private and was shift-