

GENERAL NEWS.

The annual statement of the receipts and expenditures of the City of Charlestown for the financial year ending Feb. 29, 1864, has just been issued. It contains matter of much interest. The total expenses of the year amount to \$891,492 02. The State tax paid by the city was \$41,563. The aid dispensed to soldiers' families amounts to \$50,176 40. \$329,964 95 have been expended on the water works. Two temporary loans have been made—one of \$100,000, from the Monument Bank, and one of \$65,000, from the Bunker Hill Bank. The cost of the Public Library for the year was \$2,411 98. The expense of the Police Department was \$11,640 80; of the Fire Department, \$6,817. The salaries of the city officers amount to \$8,475, and of the School Teachers \$39,163 10. The property owned by the city is valued at \$360,381 08. The report of DAVID S. TUCKER, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is appended. The recapitulation shows that during the year there were 26 fires and 22 false alarms. The total loss was \$57,905, the insurance on which amounted to \$13,100. The city has now seven engines and one hook and ladder carriage.

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