

MEDALS FOR FIREMEN.

Brave Deeds in the Saving of Life Honored.

Hoseman Anthony J. Burns of Engine 8 Selected for Lieutenant.

Vacancy Caused by Lient Joseph S Enos Leaving the Department.

Fire Commissioner Russell has just announced the reward of silver medals and certificates to eight men in the department for brave service while in the discharge of their duty. The commissioner had submitted their names to the Massachusetts humane society as deserving of recognition by that body.

The men honored are Capt J. J. O'Connor of engine 7, East st; Lieut J. J. McMahon of combination 8, ladderman Fred Leary of company 12, Florence Donaghue of combination 8, hoseman M. A. Kenneally of engine 7, hoseman D. Driscoll of the same company, Thomas J. Muldoon of chemical 8, South Boston, and W. H. Wagner of ladder 8, Fort Hill sq.

The fire where Capt O'Connor and Kenneally and Driscoll distinguished themselves occurred early on the morning of Feb 5 in the building at the corner of Devonshire and State sts. They rescued a woman under most perilous circumstances.

Leary and Donaghue, together with a law student, George R. Dean, saved the lives of three persons on Auburn st, West End, in the early evening of Jan 29 last.

Lieut McMahon is known as one of the bravest men in the department, and time and again has performed meritorious duty. He was formerly attached as hoseman at engine 4, Bulfinch st, and when appointed from the ranks only a short time ago was sent to combination 8, West End.

Thomas J. Muldoon of chemical 8 performed a daring deed one night last February in bringing an aged women from the third floor of the dwelling house 62 Gold st. Her clothing was on fire and she had been overcome. Muldoon carried her to the street, her clothes still burning. She died within a few hours at the city hospital.

Wagner has also performed deeds which the commissioner deemed worthy of extra honors.

Commissioner Russell has just sent to the civil service commissioners the name of Anthony J. Burns, senior hoseman, of engine 8, Salem st, to be a lieutenant. The opening has come through the discharge from the department of Lieut Joseph S. Enos of chemical 2, Church st, charges of having broken one of the rules of the department having been preferred against him by District Chief Hussey.

Burns was appointed to the department May 24, 1889, and was sent to ladder 13. On June 1 of the same year he was transferred to engine 13 and on Oct 3, 1890, he went to engine 1. He was later assigned to engine 33, and on Nov 20, 1893, was assigned to engine 8, where he is still on duty.

As soon as his papers are returned to the commissioner and he qualifies he will be appointed a lieutenant and assigned, but not necessarily to chemical 2, where Enos had been on duty.