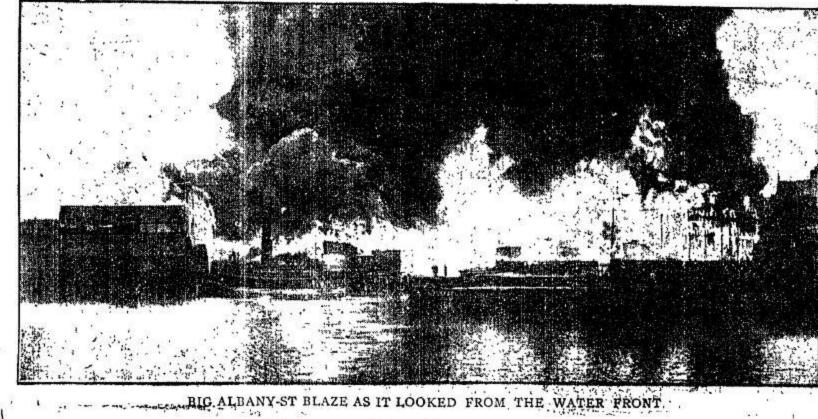
USION HAS BIG FIRE SGAR

Lumber District Blaze Destroys Twenty Buildings---Loss \$500,000.

Flames Threaten Big Residential Section---Call for Help From Suburbs Meets With Prompt Response.



Five Men Hurled Into Burning Debris Rescued By Comrades---Fire Headquarters Saved By Use of Water Curtain.

A fire, which broke out at the city end of the lumber district of the South End shortly after 6 last evening, devastated the entire water front of the South bay from Dover st to a point almost opposite the Randolph-st playground, one-eighth of a mile to the southward, leaped across the street and ate up buildings constructed of wood and brick as if they were so much tinder, and caused a property loss of about \$500,000. It was a most spectactular fire and caused a scare such as Boston has not suffered for a generation. When, however, the conflagration had been practically checked, some three hours after its discovery, it was evident that there was more alarm felt because of the dense volumes of smoke and flames shooting high into the air than because of the actual property loss that was entailed.

INJURED FIREMEN. THOMAS A. O'CONNELL, hoseman, engine 22: fractured leg and bruised ankle. LIEUT HARRY M. HEBARD, engine 22; fractured rib and lacerations of thigh and lip. CAPT JOHN P. McMANUS, ladder 4, acting district chief Roxbury; shock and minor bruises. JAMES P. GALLAGHER, hoseman, engine 22; sheck and miner bruises. EDWARD A. SHEA, former fireman, who volunteered with engine 22 men; shock and minor bruises. JOHN F. REYNOLDS, engine 15,

The flames spread with such rapid- devoured the imflammable material ity that Deputy-chief Grady, who is stored in the lumber yards and generin charge of the fire department of ated such heat that buildings situated the city during the absence of Chief | 75 feet away scorched and smoldered, Mullen, who is on a vacation at the need of all the apparatus Onset, ordered second and third in the city was apparent. Without waiting to sound a fourth alarm, the alarms sounded almost without intermission, and when the flames literally

South Boston; ankle sprained.

EPITOME OF ALBANY-ST FIRE.

Twenty buildings destroyed or damaged. Estimated loss about \$500,000. Fire started probably in drying room of Blacker & Shepard lumber company. Cause, probably spontaneous combustion. First alarm from box 58 at 6:17 p m. Sixth, or general alarm, at 6:30. First general alarm in Boston in 14 years. Fire considered under control at 10 p m. Assistance rendered by all cities and towns in

About 400 feet of wharf frontage burned. . About three acres burned over." Seven families made homeless. Twelve firemen injured or overcome by smoke. Eight other alarms, including five for one fire, sounded during progress of Albany-st fire.

Sixty pieces of Boston apparatus employed.

THE BOSTON GLOBE-WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1910.

ALL GREATER BOSTON JOINS IN FIGHTING MOST DESPERATE BLAZE IN 14 YEARS---SOUTH END THREATENED WITH DESTRUCTION BIRDSEYE VIEW OF BURNED AREA, SHADED TENANTS FLEEING FROM THEIR HOMES IN

Metropolitan district.

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In the heart of the flames as they raced along with militace rapidity. Once the fire was halted, even momentarily, the firement took every advantage, and when the tongstof water were directed to the standing buildings and lumber piles, but for a time it seemed as if that entire section of the dense volumes of smoke shot up through the roof of the frame structure the flames had started on their through the flames had started on their **BOSTON'S BIGGEST** Continued From the First Page. arth and sixth alarms were sounded, attracted by the columns of smoke and the later serving as a general alarm, roaring work of destruction. the clanging of the fire machines, the Four Families Lose All. bringing every piece of fire apparatus Fanned by a gentle east wind that streets leading to the fire zone quickly in the city to the scene. at times blew from a northerly direction, the flames lapped up the piles of apparatus and the firemen were greatly No "General" Since 1896. lumber stored in the yards and sent | handicapped in their work. It was the first time a general showers of sparks high into the air. alarm had been sounded in Boston Roaring and hissing the flames ate up since the spring of 1896, when every every obstacle that appeared in the piece of apparatus was summoned to path of the fire demon and the tons the Pope building fire on Columbus and tons of water that was being av; and yesterday for the first time poured into the heart of the fire had the benefit of the metropolitan mulittle or no effect in checking its prog-

tual fire aid was felt, for practically ress all the surrounding cities and towns dispatched men' and apparatus to Driven Back by Heat. As soon as the additional fire appu render what assistance they could to the city of Boston.

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The fire started, as far as can be learned, in the drying count of the disparation of the same and the street, 20 builtings of one discription or another that were situated in the path of the fires and the same and th company at 406-408 Albany st, the tions, many of them directly in the southern extremity on the water- path of the fire.

Albany and Dover sits to the west and north nothing short of a miracle would have prevented a holocaust, for that region is composed almost entirely of tenement houses and dwellings.

So hot was the work for the firemenin the region where it started that it was necessary to abandon engines 22 and 15 and water tower 2, which had taken their stations at the insection of the two streets.

Later the engines and tower were drawn to a place of safety by volunteers and citizens, who manned long ropes attached to the machines. The nözzle of the tower was later operated by splicing additional ropes to the guiding cables, affording the firemen some protection from the tremendous heat.

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became well-nigh impassable for the apparatus and the firemen were greatly handicapped in their work.

Mayor Fitzgerald was an early arrival on the scene and when he sized up the situation he ordered police headquarters to be notified to send additional men to police the district. In some cases two patrolmen were called upon to keep a crowd of 2000 in check and the mayor himself then telephoned Capt Driscoll, who was in charge of police headquarters, and made the personal request that every available man be detailed to the fire.

When the flames had leaped across Albany st and began devouring the buildings on the west side of that thoroughfare and began making inroads in the buildings running down Bristol and Thayer ast, the firemen were warned to conclude was manifested later when advice was manifested later when advice was manifested later when the leighborhood. The front and side walls of the Paul building, at Albany, Bristol and Thayer and loud reports resounded throughout the neighborhood. The front and side walls of the Paul building, at Albany, Bristol and Thayer and loud reports resounded throughout the neighborhood.

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When the flames had leaped across As far as could be learned but three tenement houses suffered from the fire. Four families occupied the two wooden dwellings on the premises of the Blacker & Shepard and Leatherbee lumber com-

PORTION SHOWING BURNED BUILDINGS bers of the families stood guard over the household property and it was not until assured by the police that all dan-ger was over that they would consent to move their goods back to their WOMEN SAVED THE DAMAGES

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At the beginning of the fire the tenement houses along Dover at to the west of Albany at seemed to be in the most danger. The occupants of the big brick tenement house located on the northwest corner of Dover and Albany sig, diagonally opposite the Blacker & Shepard lumber company, were early thrown into a state of confusion and it was only through the heroic measures adopted by Joseph E. Wallace, a member of the Brockline fire department, who was enjoying a day off, that a panic was averted.

During the hight of the excitement fireman Wallace rushed into the building and went from room to room, instructing the occupants to shut their windows and shutters and to stand ready with pails of water in the event of the window casings catching fire.

Mr Wallace found it necessary in some instances to break open doors in order to close the windows himself, and when he had finished his task he organized a bucket brigade, which he led to the roof and stood ready with water byckets to quench any stray sparks that might alight on the roof and sheds.

Bath Opened to Sufferers. Fire Department Loss Brookline Is Heavy. to Extent of \$200,000. Reed Block fire which caused d loss of \$500,000 was in an area which ordinarily in any other part of the city

Suffered loss:
Dover wine company, 308 Dover st.
Charles Lyons, second-hand lumber, 524 Albany st.
Sam Berman, poultry dealer, 332
Albany st.
'W. B. Pope & Co. lumber, 520 Albany

It. J. Barwood company, leather washer manufacturing company, 387

Albany st.
A. P. Lombard & Co estate, carving and panier mache, 101 Bristol st.
Boston coin machine company, 382
Albany st.
Abraites & Gudas, tailors, 383 Albany

Charles Emmell & Rose company, modelers and papier mache, 383 Albany

Jeromiah Coughiln, harness shop, 317 Dover st. John Pisteri, barber shop, 312 Dover C. H. Bample, firemen's goods, 313

Bath Opened to Sufferers. was in close proximity to the start of the fire and when it worked over to the repair shop of the fire department. These apartments, namely hotel Tur-ner, hotel Lane, hotel Carroll and hotel Abbott, contain 40 suites, and 37 of them were occupied, making about 35 to 90 persons in the block at the time of the were occupied, making about 85 to 90 persons in the block at the time of the fire.

James A. Murphy, agent for the property, realizing the danger, warned the occupants and many of them packed their valuables and moved out without any confusion when ordered to do so by the firemen and police.

The Dover-st free public bathhouse, which was thrown open as a place of refuge upon orders from Mayor Fitzgerald. Served as a headquarters for families that had become separated during the excitement and the people living in the vicinity also took advantage of the opportunity to store their trunks and bags there.

It was at the bathhouse that Mayor Fitzgerald reviewed the work of the firemen. He expressed himself as very much satisfied with the work of fighting the fire, but he said that the only deplorable feature and, in fact, the greatest absurdity of the whole affair was the situation of the fire headquarters building.

"Why," said the mayor, "It was ridiculous to place the central fire alarm system of the city in such a dangerous locality. What if the fire headquarters building and the fire alarm signal service had been destroyed tonight? What would the city have done without a duplicate system? It was the hight of absurdity to ever place the central fire station where it is, in the midst of fire traps and directly opposite to what has been pointed out to me to be the worst fire trap in Boston."

CHARGES THEFT AT FIRE. small loss. The Reed block, the only other large structure in the path of the flames, escaped with a fire damage of but about \$2000, according to Randall G. Morris, manager of the building. The water damage, however, was consider-CHARGES THEFT AT FIRE.

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Winthrop Feels Hand in Pocket, ladnezsky is Arrested and Accused of Stealing \$300.

While the fire was in progress at Dover and Albany sts at 7:40, Maurice Winthrop of 10 Taber at felt a hand in his pocket. He selzed it and a fight was started. Several policemen from the Broadway, South Boston, station arrested Frank Iadnezsky, 19 years old of 5 Lowell st. Winthrop charged Iadnezsky with ploking his pockets and with the larceny of \$300 from him.

The prisoner was taken to station and held for a hearing.

RELIEF AFFORDED.

Mayor Fitzgerald Orders 200 Gallons of Coffee and 500 Sandwiches for Plucky Firemen.

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Mayor Fitzgerald issued orders early in the evening for the purchase of 200 sallons of coffee and 500 sandwiches.

At fire headquarters on Bristol st payroll clerk James P. Maloney ably directed the relief work, and those of the firemen who manned the nozzles were relieved from duty in order that they could obtain a luncheon. A large supply of coffee and sandwiches was also delivered to the firemen who were battling with the fire on High st. \$2000. \$79 Albany st. William M. Paul, owner, loss \$4500, occupied by Patrick H. Horan estate, church goods, loss \$12,000. Joseph F. Paul, lumber dealer, 320 and 855 Albany et. loss unknown. The following persons and firms also suffered loss:

FROM FLAMES Carries Down Two. Paralytic in Peril.

Blacker & Shepard Suffers Powers Brothers Rescue Aged Water Curtain Valuable to | Many Families Driven Out -Children Lost. During the fire at Dover and Albany became terror-stricken and many moved their effects into the streets. Along would have caused a greater loss. Dover at the residents were partic-This in'a great measure was caused by ularly apprehensive. There were 40 the fact that the buildings destroyed were in most cases inexpensive frame apartment houses, 37 of which were affairs, and were it not for the large occupied, along Dover st and the people amount of lumber, etc, destroyed the in many instances moved their goods to oss would have been comparatively the streets, taking advantage of Mayor Fitzgerald's offer to house them and But two buildings of any consequence suffered, one being that used by the Boston fire department for a Carroll at 255, the Abbott at 257, and several other adjoining and along the 000, while the Paul building, directly same street were filled with men, womacross Bristol st, and at the corner of Aloany at, was valued at \$41,000. Other buildings were of a filmsy charin the face of the flames that seemed rapidly approaching their homes. acter and quickly succumbed with Bables were crying, mothers were weeping and strong men were hurrying,

water damage, however, was considerable. That this building resisted the fames was undoubtedly in a great measure due to the fact that it was fitted with a water curtain.

The path of the flames extended from Dover st, south on Albany st, for a distance of nearly 500 feet, destroying every building on both sides of Albany st, the flames destroyed to the water's edge, while on the west side it worked about 100 feet in and the Bristol and Thayer sts. It crossed Lyver st, but the losses were comparatively slight.

On the bay side of Albany st were located the lumber yards of Blacker & Shepard company. Andrew F. Leatherbert was a matter of but about \$13,500, but the damage to stock amounted way into the thousands, the first named company reporting a loss of \$200,000.

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The list of buildings destroyed, with owners and assessed values is as foilows:

350 Albany st, owned by the Peter B Brigkam hospital estate, loss \$4500; occupied by Blacker & Shepard Co, lumber leaders, loss op stock \$200,000. Also partly occupied by Andrew F. Leatherbee, lumber dealer.

272 Albany st, owned by Williang F. Mocers, trustoe, loss \$6000; occupied by Milliang at the corner of Albany st, where he rescued two works and the breast side in the first named the province of the story building near the corner of Albany st, where he rescued two works and the province of the story bu Powers brothers, and they carried the mother to a neighbor's house.

John Bedell and his family, who occupied rooms over the office of the American coal company on Albany st, had a narrow escape. As the flames approached the little apartment Bedell led his family out through the blazing hallway and went back and saved a few of their belongings. Five minutes later the building was in ashes.

Several hundred persons crowded to the roofs of Albany-st apartment houses to watch the flames, but they were goon obliged to flee for their lives from dense smoke and the intense heat of flames that were driven in that direction by change of the wind.

At 24 Albany st, William Mulready found his daughter, Mrs Williams, lying partially overcome on the third floor and carried her out to the street, where she was revived.

Charles Wright went into a three-story building near the corner of Albany and Dover sts and rescued two women.

For half the night men and women sat upon the curbings and wept for the homes they had lost or thought they had lost. These were cared for by the holes and made comfortable until after the fire was extinguished.

At this time, the loss to the Blacker & Shepard company will exceed \$200,000. This does not include the loss on the wharf property. The firm's loss is practically covered by finsurance.

Between \$4,000,000 feet of lumbsr are burned. The stock includes all kinds, from cypress to mache a greater variety than that of any office all kinds, from cypress to mache and the loss to fumber are burned to fumber five in the stock includes all kinds, from cypress to mache and in the company's stable at the No. 5 driveway.

Seventeen horses were burned in the company's stable at the No. 5 driveway.

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390 Albany at, occupied by Downes' lumber company, loss \$2500 to stock.

Brodbine hall, Dover and Albany ats, owned by James W. Brodbine, loss \$400; occupied on first floor by John D. Diggin & Co; liquors, loss to stock and fixtures \$5000.

Fire department repair shop, loss on building \$50,000, loss on contents \$45,000.

355 Albany and 101 Bristol ats, owned by William M. Paul, loss on building \$41,000. \$1,000 Reed's block, 381-385 Albany st, Law-rence Mayo, trustee, loss to building \$2000.

Although several lumber inden craft are usually at the Blacker & Shepard company's wharf, only one was tied up there when the fire broke out last rected by the captain of the wessel, she was saved, suffering only a sligh Andrews of Caisis, Me, Capt C. F. Hutchins, with 70.000 feet of pine.
Capt Hutchins was in the cabin when he saw the glow of the the, which at that time appeared to be confined to space of about 20 square feet. He immediately jumped to the wharf and summoned aid. summoned aid.

A hawser was made fast to a post on the wharf and passed about the capsian on the schooner. Slowly but steadily the vessel was warpet along a considerable distance, until she was taken outside the danger zone. The schooner's prow finally touched the mudbank, checking ner slow progress. This position, however, proved to be just far enough away from the coording heat and flying omiers to save the schooner and her cargo. CALLS THE LOSS \$200,000. Sec Morse Says Blacker & Shepard Company Will Resume at Once-Came From Plymouth in Auto. Howard T. Morse secretary of the Blacker & Shepard company, came up from his summer home at Plymouth in an automobile upon being notified of from the Dover-st side of the burned Shepard company will exceed \$200,000

WARPED OUT OF DANGER.

Schooner Peter Andrews, Tled Up at

by Hard Work,

Blacker & Shepard's Wharf, Saved

HOW BOSTON'S MOST THREATENING FIRE IN MANY YEARS WAS FOUGHT

THE BOSTON GLOBE-WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1910.

DEVELOPS GENERAL VIEW OF THE FIRE FROM MAYOR HEADS TOP OF EQUITABLE BUILDING

SUDDENLY Three Alarms

Necessary. Second Fire Loss Over \$50,000.

Overwhelms Small Force Working at Start.

Johns-Manville Co the

Principal Loser. A second fire, which at first appeared to be nothing more than an incident of a memorable night, started shortly be-fore a o'clock last night in the building at 55, 57 and 59 High at, occupied by the H W. Johns-Manville company, as-bestes and magnesia products, and

suddenly developed a magnitude that completely overwhelmed the small force

of dremen that combatted it, and eventually, by the sounding of a second

and third alarm, caused the scene to

shift and made the so-called leather district the center of interest and ex-

Two firemen, ladderman Joseph II.

Andreoli of ladder 1 and ladderman Edward J. Donelan of ladder 2, were

slightly injured by falling through the

numed timbers when the blaze had

The damage sustained by the H. W.

Johns-Manville company and to the building is estimated at about \$50,000,

while the Pierce, Butler & Pierce man-

ufacturing company, plumbers' supplies, 16 High st. report a damage of \$500 on

account of water, and Band & Bartlet

company, straw board and paper box manufacturers, 63 High st, say they

suffered from a like cause, but can't

Ordinarily the High-st fire would have warranted a second alarm at the go-off,

but the short-handed force of three

chemicals, two engines and three lad-

ders, some of which had dragged them-

belies long distances and were "cover

ing" in town, seemed equal to the task.

Certainly they were determined to han-

dle it without drawing any more than was necessary away from the "big"

It was 7:53 when box 44, High st and

came chemical 3, Charlestown, which was covering for engine 8, Balem st;

South End fire; engine 11, East Boston,

at last been conqured.

tell how much in figures.

Determined to Handle It.



City Covered Though 37 Engines Worked. First "General" Since Pope Building Fire in 1896. Outside Places Prompt paratus at work at the big Albany-st With Assistance.

ascertained precisely what was going on.

An irresistible number of men and engines and at last assembled, and by 9:40 the blaze was under control. Not long afterward the firemen began an exploration of the ruined upper floors, and it was then laddermen Andreoli and Donelan slipped through from the fifth to the fourth floors. Their cries were heard and in a short time they were rescued, the former by District Chief Fox and J. J. Connelly, who is driving temporarily for Chief Fox. Donelan was taken to the relief station and treated for contusions on the back. Later he was sent home. Andreoli did not go to the hospital.

H. R. Trainer, manager of the H. W. Johns-Manville company, came up from his summer home at Crow Point, Hingham, in his automobile. Later he was joined by H. D. Castle, chief accountant for the company.

Mr Trainer said he couldn't tell how the fire started, as he hadn't any information on that point. He thought the damage to his stock and to the building might foot up to \$75,000, and possibly higher.

The fifth floor of the building, which is owned by the Webster estate, contained cotton goods and file racks, Mr Trainer explained.

At 11:43 the all-out signal was sounded. the fire department had to contend with a genuine general alarm of fire. There have been serious fires in recent years that required several extra alarms, but until yesterday the chiefs succeeded in avoiding the "Big Six," upon the re-ceipt of which nearly every company in the department moves. Thirty-five of the 43 land engines in commission were at the fire last even-ing. Pive others left their own quar-ters to "cover" in other houses, while HUNDREDS OF VOLUNTEERS.

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fire there certainly was a few minutes of excitoment among the residents and East Boston's full quota of apparatus consists of four engines and hose wag-Last night's big fire on Albany at was the first since 1896, when the Pope buildengine, all in direct command of a dis-trict chief. With the sounding of the general alarm for the South End fire carly last evening East Boston sent to the city proper either direct to the fire or for the purposes of covering other company quarters three of its engines and one ladder truck and the battalion leader also responded.

This left in East Boston but one engine company, that being engine 5, a ladder truck and the chemical engine. Lieut Thomas F. Flynn of engine 9, who was acting captain yesterday of engine 6, was in charge of the district.

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RESCUE PARTY Helps Save Dwellers in Fire Zone.

Directs Work of Relief and Assists Firemen. At High-St Blaze Also-

Wet From Head to Foot.

Mayor John F. Fitzgerald was the busiest man in Boston last night. He attended the two fires and was very much the man of the hour. He was at the mayor's office when he received telephone word of the serious-ness of the Albany-st fire, and he im-mediately donned old clothing, shoes and a golf cap and started out to see what he could do for the relief of the When he arrived, he said last even-ing, he found too few policemen to cope with the situation, so he at once rushed to a telephone and called up police headquarters and asked that every available policeman be sent to the scene at once. Capt John Driscoll at once ordered the lieutenants in command of the different stations to

send their men to the fire. Within a very few minutes the policemen began to arrive in squads in command of sergeants and lieutencommand of sergeants and lieutenants, and shortly the captains began to arrive. Soon Supt William H. Pierce was on the scene and he took charge of the situation from the police point of view.

Deputy Supt William B. Watts was on hand early with a big squad of his inspectors. During the fire the police inspectors watched the crowds and several pickpockets were captured.

Mayor Fitzgerald and Acting Fire Commissioner Carroll held a brief conference and aid was summoned from several surrounding cities and towns. Then the mayor commenced the work of alding the fire refugees. Several hundred men, women and houses in the fire zone, were led and carried out of their homes and teams were summoned and men called to aid in the work of saving their household effects. The bathhouse in the vicinity was opened by orders of Mayor Fitz-

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storage of household effects.

Mayor Fitzgerald also sent out a call
for all available express wagons and
moving vans obtainable to be on the
scene ready to move goods.

Finding that the flames were spreading and that the fire department repair
shops and the fire headquarters were
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fire headquarters and being informed
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Edison company send out every available man to repair the wires and maintain the efficiency of the system. Leads Rescue Party. Mayor Fitzgerald was here one min-ute and somewhere else, the next, run-ning about like a fire chief giving ad-vice, suggestions and material aid to the firemen. He led Patrick McArdle of 36 Middlesex at and 20 other men who, at the risk of their own lives or, at least, serious injury, rushed into the two

At High-St Fire. When the news came that there was another dangerous fire raging in High at Mayor Fitzgerald started in an automobile in great haste for the scene.

Wet From Head to Foot.

When last seen at the High-st fire Mayor Fitzgerald was soaking wet from head to foot and just as active and enthusiastic in his efforts to aid the

firemen and the fire-refugees as he was earlier in the evening. When he was assured that his attention and aid was not required at the High-st lire he jumped into an automobile and hurrled hack to the scene of the Albany-Dover-

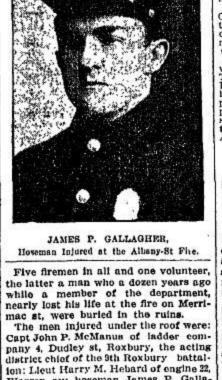
At a late hour last night Mayor Fitzgerald was going personally among the poor families of the fire zone endeavor-ing to ascertain if any were in want or in need of lodgings and food.

One an Old-Timer Who O'Connell Unconscious. Volunteered. Five Buried in Ruins as Roof of Paul's Mill Collapsed. Wild Nozzle Knocks One Off the Fire Truck.

HURT AT FIRE

SIX FIREMEN

Not until 10:15, almost four hours after the fire was discovered, did any of the small army of regular firemen and volunteers engaged in battling with the flames, meet with serious injury. The roof of the building at Albany and lapsed at that time.



Medical Examiner Magrath, who was at the first fire, also started for the new one.

The automatic fire sprinkles in the High-st buildings gave the firemen great aid in fighting the flames. But for these the fire might have been more disastrous.

Mayor Fitzgerald noted the lack of sufficient water pressure at the High-st fire and he was much disturbed and exclaimed that he will make it his business to see that it does not happen again. He was standing in front of the building when the firemen were endeavoring to play a stream of water into the windows of the fourth floor and falled utterly for some minutes.

Mayor Fitzgerald told a Globe reporter that Monday night he and Acting Fire Commissioner Carroll were discussing the possibility of a fire reaching the Bristol-st fire headquarters and crippling the fire alarm signal system and he said that at that interview they arranged to call upon the Edison company for help in case of a conflagration. The mayor said he did not anticipate then that the occasion would come so soon but he was happy they had arranged for just such an emergency and met it as promptly as it confronted them

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The public gave Dist Chief Garrity, Shea and the other survivors, testimonials when they recovered from their injuries. A few years later Shea, loft the department. Last night he was watching the fire and observing that his comrades needed help he pitched in and bore out the 'old saying "once a fireman always a fireman."

Commissioner Carroll hustled up to the City hospital later and inquired as to the condition of his men. He had been congratulating himself all night that members of the department or volunteers had not been seriously hurt.

Paul's mill was one of the points where the fire was checked. It was in Thayer st, back of the mill, and on Bristol st, in front of it that the fire leaders had placed apparatus which played on the structure that they might prevent the fiames from igniting the series of wood turning shops and mills that are strung along Bristol st from Albany st to Harrison av. eriously hurt in that fire, being caught BIG LOSS TO DEPARTMENT. Engine 9, Truck 14, Chemical 5 and Several Pieces of Relief Apparatus of All Three Kinds Burned. Acting Fire Commissioner Carroll late last night said he would be unable to struction of the fire department repair shops Supt Eugene M. Byington could not give an estimate, although he intimated it would be heavy.

Engine 9 of the first class type was in the shop, and was destroyed, together with aerial ladder 14 from Fort Hill sq, and chemical 5 and several relief engines, ladder trucks and chemical engine. The loss of the shop and apparatus leaves the department crippled.

The repair shop was built about 26 years ago. On the street floor the valuable machinery was kept, while therefor apparatus was also stored there. On the second floor front was the wheelwright shop, the office and sleeping quarters of Supt Byington and sanitary engineer V. P. Buckley. In the rear of the second floor was the bureau of equipment and supplies. On the third floor front was the paint shop, and in the rear the hose and harness department. In an L alongside the first floor was the dynamo room, where the power for the fire alarm plant was supplied.

Early this morning it was said the engineer of the plant stuck to his post. The fire did not reach the dynamo plant. The name of the engineer could not be learned. He is a temporary man and was appointed a few days ago.

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and was hurried to the City hospital. Webber took fireman Gallagher to the hospital in Deputy Grady's car, while McManus, Shea and O'Connell were taken out last, O'Connell being extricated after considerable difficulty and sent to the hospital.

Hearing that several of his men were seriously injured Acting Commissioner Carroll hastened from the Bristol-st side and did what he could in the work of rescue.

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Shea a Volunteer.

The scenes and incidents following the collapse of the roof will probably never be forgotten by those who were present. The firemen, buried under brick and timber, cried out to their comrades to save them, repeating their appeals again and again. All but O'Connell were readily rescued.

The latter lay beneath the mass of brick and timber for fully a quarter of an hour before he was extricated. His heartrending cries, which at first were heard so distinctly, ceased several minutes before his resouers reached him and it was feared that he had died. He was unconscious when dragged out.

Ambulance surgeons pleaded with the crowd to stand back and give the rescuers a chance. The narrow street was congested with apparatus, lines of hose, ambulances and autos and great care had to be exercised in carrying the injured from the ruins of the mill. Probably no great fire in the history of the city appeared to cause less inseadquarters of the fire insurance fraternity, than the water-front fire last night, for the simple reason that all the principals in the various offices were either off on vacations or at their summer residences, from which they could hot get into town. With the exceptions of the offices of John C. Paige & Co, Field & Cowles, Crain, Jones, Bixby & Co and Wheelock & Serrat, the district was deserted, and in these offices the faithful clerks who had offices the faithful clerks who head hurried in were unable to git the slightest information, except that they knew they had "lines" on the various burned properties.

From a study of the maps, kept to the closest detail by every important agency, it was possible to obtain a very general idea of the insurance values involved, and a fair conservative estimate would indicate that the losses to the fire insurance companies will not exceed \$50,000, inclusive of the valuable repair plant of the Boston fire department, which is not covered.

There is probably not a single fire; insurance company operating in this city which has not experienced greater, or less loss by the fire. As can readily be imagined, a lumber yard does not present itself as a very desirable hazard upon which to risk a large amount, so that the line on the Blacker's Shepard company lumber yard was widely distributed in lines ranging from Just as a lumber yard is regarded as % Shepard company lumber yard was widely distributed in lines ranging from \$100 up.

Just as a lumber yard is regarded as a lisk to underwrite warily, so is the property contiguous to it, so that it is unlikely that any one institution will be hit badly enough to disturb it seriously. It is known that the mutual fire insurance companies carried lines in that section, but they too will undoubtedly have exercised considerable caution in their underwriting.

The chief values destroyed are those of the Biacker & Shepard lumber company and the Paul block, occupied chiefly by woodworkers.

The Blacker & Shepard company loss is undoubtedly the heaviest single burden the insurance companies will have to bear, it ranging from \$150,000 to \$200,000.

This line was placed by Cyrus Brewer, & Co, but none of the members of that firm could be reached last night. John C. Paige & Co and Field & Cowles each have lines involved, but no definite information can be furnished until norming.

Pres E. C. Irvin of the Fire Association can be furnished until norming.

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By a curious coincidence Cyrus, Brewer & Co, the same agency which he insurance upon the Blacker & Shopard lumber yard in which the water-front fire originated, placed also the losses.

George Smith to Safety at Cape Cottage, Me.

PORTLAND, Me. Aug 9-John Way

Fire Delays Performance. lapse came and they dropped fully 29 feet.

Directing the firemen in that part of the fire zone were District Chiefs Ryder. Byron, Taber and Perkins, who immediately organized a rescuing crew. Large fire lights were provided and the rescuers, armed with crowbars, rakes and other appliances, dug into the rescuers, armed with crowbars, rakes and other appliances, dug into the suffering men whose means could be distinctly heard.

While the rescuers were thus engaged the district chiefs notified the ambulance surgeons of the crash of the roof. City hospital and police ambulances were rushed along Harrison at an and driven over a tangled mass of hose up narrow Theyers at to within a few dozen feet of the ruins.

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