

ANNUAL STATEMENT

OF THE

Receipts and Expenditures

OF THE

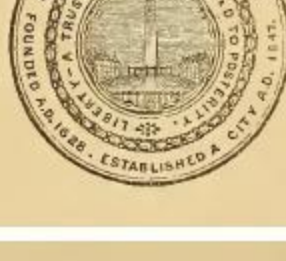
CITY OF CHARLESTOWN,

From February 28, 1873, to January 12, 1874;

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORTS OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER

OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND BRIDGE

COMMISSIONER.



REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER.

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ENGINEER'S ROOM,

CHARLESTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT, Dec. 31, 1873.

To HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, AND CITY COUNCIL:—

Gentlemen,—I have the honor to submit to your honorable body the following report, relating to the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1873.

The department consists of a Chief Engineer and four assistants; four hose companies, of thirteen men each; one hook and ladder company, of twenty-three men, and one steam fire-engine company, of fifteen men, and one spare driver, making a total force of ninety-six men.

The apparatus in charge of the companies is in perfect order. The Fire Alarm is also in good condition.

The whole number of fires and alarms for one year from January 1, 1873 to January 1, 1874, was forty-one. The whole amount of loss was \$12,775; insurance, \$12,070; total loss, \$705.00.

The whole amount appropriated for the department was \$27,300. Received for sale of apparatus and old material, \$1,096.86. Total appropriation, \$28,396.86. Whole amount expended for ten months, to January 1, 1874, \$24,059.89, leaving a balance of \$4,336.97.

The whole amount appropriated for Fire Alarm was \$1,200; received \$6.85; total appropriation, \$1,206.85; expended \$958.15; leaving a balance of \$248.70.

I wish to return my thanks to the officers and members of the department for the very prompt and efficient manner

they have performed their duty, and through their promptness our city during the year has escaped a serious conflagration; especially to my Assistants on the Board, for the faithful manner they have sustained me during my term. I would not let this occasion pass without thanking His Honor the Mayor, and City Council, for the courtesy and respect shown me during the year; also, to the Chief of Police, and members of the force, for the valuable assistance rendered. And last, but not least, to the exempt members for services rendered, I would tender thanks.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM E. DELANO,

Chief Engineer.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Salaries,	\$13,574 24
Hay, straw and grain,	1,376 32
Horse and exchange of horses,	600 00
Wagon,	265 25
Hose carriage,	675 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<i>\$16,490 81</i>
<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$16,490 81</i>
Hydrant chucks and patent nozzles,	865 00
Other apparatus and general repairs,	1,707 64
Horseshoeing,	259 60
Harness, etc., and stable furniture,	353 11
Furniture and repairs,	328 03
Laundry work,	168 19
Carpentry, masonry, painting, glazing, plumbing, etc.,	983 41
Reservoir repairs,	139 75
Fire hats and fronts,	75 25
Coal and wood,	549 72
Gas,	479 00
Water rates,	75 00
Fines of members,	445 00
Poll taxes refunded,	90 00
Badges,	374 85
Sundry expenses,	676 53
	<i>\$24,060 89</i>
Appropriation,	\$27,300 00
Rec'd for sale of hand-hose carriage No. 2,	450 00
Rec'd for sale of jumper and hose,	289 00
“ “ “ “ hook-and-ladder truck,	350 00
Rec'd for sale of manure, etc.,	7 86
	<i>\$28,396 86</i>
Expended,	24,060 89
Balance unexpended,	\$4,335 97

NEW HOSE.

1,056 feet hose,	\$1,984 32
Appropriation,	\$2,000 00
Expended,	\$1,984 32
Balance charged to account	
“ Repairs of streets,”	15 68
	<i>\$2,000 00</i>

FIRE-ALARM TELEGRAPH.

Services,	\$94 50
Fire-alarm boxes,	500 00
Vitriol, insulators, magnet, wire, etc.,	199 35
Painting, lettering boxes and signs,	31 05
Ironwork, brackets, and repairs,	111 83
Hardware,	21 42
	<i>\$958 15</i>

Appropriation,	\$1,200 00
Sundry receipts,	6 85
	<i>\$1,206 85</i>
Expended,	958 15
Balance unexpended,	\$248 70

USE OF HYDRANTS.

Water rates,	\$2,200 00
Appropriation,	\$2,200 00
Expended,	\$2,200 00

SCHEDULE AND VALUATION

OF THE

PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY.

Winthrop street — building, land, etc., occupied by Hook and Ladder Co., Armory, etc.,	20,000 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<i>\$778,900 00</i>
<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	<i>\$778,900 00</i>
Hose House No. 1, and land, Main street,	10,000 00
“ No. 2, “ “	4,000 00
“ No. 4, “ Bunker Hill street,	5,000 00
Steamer House “ Elm street,	20,000 00
City stables and land, Medford street,	10,000 00
City Wharf lot, Medford street,	25,000 00
Two steam fire-engines,	8,000 00
Five horse hose-carriages,	4,000 00
One “ hook and ladder truck,	2,500 00
“ hand hose-carriage,	500 00
Nine horses,	3,500 00
Two wagons,	500 00
8,500 feet hose,	15,000 00
Harnesses, stable furniture, etc.,	1,500 00
Fire-Alarm Telegraph,	18,000 00