

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

TOWN OF HYDE PARK,

WITH

REPORTS OF THE SELECTMEN, TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC
LIBRARY, SCHOOL COMMITTEE, AND OTHER
TOWN OFFICERS.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31st, 1883.



ENGINEERS' REPORT.

ENGINEERS' ROOM, H. P. F. DEP'T, }
HYDE PARK, Jan. 31, 1883. }

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:—

GENTLEMEN,—In laying before you our annual report of the fire department for the year ending January 31st, 1883, we do so with a great deal of pleasure.

The department is in excellent condition, and the gentlemanly deportment of its members, and prompt response to every call, is an honor to any town, and Hyde Park should be justly proud of them.

In our last report we called your attention to the condition of our steamers, and stated our views on the same, and the year has proved that our judgment was correct. We have been obliged to call for an extra appropriation of two thousand dollars to put in new boilers, which the citizens generously granted; and we think that the money has been very economically expended, for they are now in first-class condition, each having a new boiler and many necessary improvements.

We have in the department twenty-five hundred feet of cotton hose, in excellent condition, and about two thousand feet of leather hose, which is almost worthless.

We would earnestly recommend the town to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of hose this year. We would recommend cotton hose in preference to any other.

We have in the department two steamers, as good as new; two hose carriages; one hook and ladder truck, fully

equipped; one chemical engine; one fuel wagon; two sets swinging harnesses,—all in good repair; and hose as above described.

We take this opportunity to heartily thank each and every member of the department, for their gentlemanly conduct and splendid discipline.

You will find with this report a list of alarms and fires; also, the officers and number of men belonging to each company.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN W. HILTON,
Chief Engineer.

C. L. FARNSWORTH,
FRED. A. SWEET,
Assistant Engineers.

OFFICERS AND NUMBER OF MEN.

The following is a list of the officers of the several companies, together with the number of men in the employ of the department:—

GOODWILL STEAM FIRE ENGINE Co., No. 1.

W. H. DARLING, Foreman.
BENJ. E. FOGG, Assistant Foreman.
E. M. BULLARD, Clerk.
H. E. HUNT, Treasurer and Engineman, and ten men.

ROUGH AND READY STEAM FIRE ENGINE Co., No. 2.

GEORGE W. PARKER, Foreman.
JOHN H. CHIPMAN, Assistant Foreman.
L. F. UPHAM, Clerk.
JAMES A. GUINAN, Treasurer.
EDWARD F. MOORE, Engineman, and nine men.

CHEMICAL ENGINE Co., No. 1.

J. C. McDOUGALD, Foreman.
H. G. BALKAM, Clerk and Treasurer, and three men.

HOOK AND LADDER Co., No. 1.

GEORGE E. CARLTON, Foreman.
WILLIAM M. WISWALL, Assistant Foreman.
ROBERT SCOTT, Jr., Clerk and Treasurer, and nine men.

Number of Firemen 45

JOSHUA WILDER, Steward of the Department.

Alarms Given and Fires Attended during the Year ending January 31st, 1883.

DATE.	HOW OCCUPIED.	OWNER.	CAUSE.	LOCATION.	LOSS.	INSUR.	TIME.	REMARKS.
1882. April 29	Planing Mill.....	S. Z. Leslie & Co.	Accident...	Railroad avenue	\$5 00	2.30 P.M.	Caused by sparks on roof.
Sept. 30	Barn.....	Thos. Corrigan..	Incendiary	Oak street.....	300 00	12.18 A.M.	Used for storing tar-roofers' materials.
Nov. 30 1883. Jan. 25	Tenants, etc.....	Weymouth S. B'k	Incendiary	Walnut street...	\$3,000	4.20 "	Known as Hamblin Block.
	Railroad Co....	Incendiary	B. & P. Railroad	300 00	2.40 "	Car of hay on siding near freight house.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Goodwill Engine Co., No. 1, pay roll	\$620 83
Rough and Ready Engine Co., No. 2, pay roll	618 76
Chemical Engine Co., No. 1, pay roll	187 50
Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, pay roll	591 66
Joshua Wilder, steward, and cash paid out.	602 63
R. Corson, drawing fire apparatus to fires	133 05
Dedham and Hyde Park Gas Co., gas	20 94
Cole Bros., repairs on engines	2,490 00
Charles E. Berry, repairs	4 00
A. J. Moore & Son, "	2 25
F. W. Conn, "	2 50
Francis Boynton, "	16 10
J. Johnston, "	6 85
H. I. Somes, "	24 80
Spring, Robinson & Co., repairs	5 15
Hunneman & Co., repairs	45 25
Walworth Manufacturing Co., repairs	20
John T. Robinson & Co., repairs	4 13

Paid John F. Nolan, repairs	\$30 90
H. C. Somes, "	12 25
Fabric Fire Hose Co., hose	500 00
James Boyd & Sons, repairs on hose, etc.	14 63
Benj. E. Phillips, painting	3 00
L. F. Upham, "	5 00
Pawtucket, Fire Department, use of engine	140 70
Goodwill Engine Co., filling High school cistern	15 00
Underhay & Co., oil, etc.	21 00
H. E. Hunt, engineman, and repairs	75 43
E. F. Moore, " "	105 50
R. W. Gould, labor	50
Merrimac Chemical Co., chemicals	3 08
George W. D. Simmons, harness repairs	10 00
Quincy Dyer, hardware	2 44
James E. Lyons, services as fireman	12 50
William H. Harlow, services	25 00
W. W. Hilton, fire hats, repairs, etc.	120 19
C. L. Farnsworth, refreshments	8 40
Peabody & Co., cheese	1 87
S. B. Balkam & Co., coal and lumber	278 81
W. W. Hilton, services as engineer to Nov. 1, '82	75 00
C. L. Farnsworth, " " " "	75 00
F. A. Sweet, " " " "	75 00

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By amount of appropriation	\$5,000 00
" additional appropriation	2,000 00
	7,000 00

Balance unexpended \$12 20