

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

TOWN OF HYDE PARK

WITH

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

FOR THE

Year Ending January 31, 1892.



ENGINEERS' REPORT.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN :

Gentlemen : We herewith present to you our annual report for the year ending Jan. 31st, 1892, together with a record of fires and losses.

The department has responded to eighteen alarms the past year, and, owing to the promptness in answering these alarms, the town has been saved from serious losses.

Last year we recommended the addition of more hydrants, and we would respectfully call your attention to the matter again this year. We consider this to be a very important subject, as many parts of our town would suffer serious loss in case of fire owing to the long distance from water supply, and we earnestly hope that an article will be placed in next warrant to see if town will vote to contract for fifty or sixty more hydrants, provided a reasonable figure can be obtained from the Water Company for same.

The apparatus is all in good condition, except Hose Co. No. 1 Reel, which is not fit for much further use, and we have contracted with the Abbott Downing Company to build a Hose Wagon to take place of No. 1 Reel, to be delivered about May 1st.

The Fire Alarm has given perfect satisfaction, and we feel that this branch of our department is second to none, as it has done its work perfectly, owing to the care and attention given it by E. A. Hawley as Superintendent.

OFFICERS AND NUMBER OF MEN.

The following is a list of officers and members of department :

W. W. HILTON, Chief Engineer.
J. H. McKENNA, Clerk.
R. CORSON, Assistant Engineer.

Hose Co. No. 1.

E. W. BULLARD, Foreman.
C. M. WANDLASS, Assistant Foreman.
W. W. SCOTT, Clerk, and five men.

Hose Co. No. 2.

E. A. MARSTERS, Foreman.
W. MATTHEWS, Assistant Foreman.
W. G. ROBINSON, Clerk, and six men.

Hose Co. No. 3.

J. H. O'BRIEN, Foreman.
D. W. MAHONEY, Assistant Foreman.
C. H. GALLIGAN, Clerk, and two men.

Hook and Ladder No. 1.

W. HOLTHAM, Foreman.
B. RAFTER, Assistant Foreman.
W. R. McDOUGALD, Clerk, and seven men.

CHEMICAL ENGINE CO. No. 1.

MALCOLM ROGERS, Foreman.
W. J. FOLEY, Clerk, and three men.
E. A. HAWLEY, Steward and Sup't Fire Alarm.

List of Alarms and Fires for Year Ending Jan. 31st, 1892.

DATE.	BOX.	TIME.	PROPERTY.	OWNER.	LOCATION.	CAUSES.	LOSS.	INSUR.
Feb. 9	7	8 P.M.	Elec. Light Station.	H. P. Elec. Lt. Co.	near Green St.	Crossed wires.	None	
" 16	7	9.14 A.M.	Carpenter Shop.	D. Higgins	near N.Y. & N.E. Dep't	Spontaneous Combustion	None	
Mar. 31	6	1.30 P.M.	Woodland.	J. Fallon	near Matapan	Incendary	\$ 25.00	None
Apr. 28	7	11.25 P.M.	Bank	A. H. Holway	Dedham	Kerosene stove.	150.00	fully in'd
" 30	12	11.25 A.M.	Barn	Miss Sumner	Everett square	Incendary	236.00	\$ 250.00
May 1	6	8.14 P.M.	Barn	Miss Sumner	E. R'r St. n. P'r Mill	Incendary	None	
" 4	Still	2 P.M.	Barn	N. Y. & N. E. Co.	E. R'r St. n. P'r Mill	Sparks from engine	None	
June 24	6	2.42 P.M.	N. Y. & N. E. Depot	N. Y. & N. E. Co.	E. River St.	Sparks from coal c.	3,100.00	fully in'd
Aug. 3	7	10.20 A.M.	Dryer	A. H. Whittier	Fairmount Ave.	Lamp explosion	342.00	fully in'd
" 12	12	6.10 A.M.	Dwelling	H. Blenke	Cleveland St.	Incendary	542.00	fully in'd
" 15	14	1.50 A.M.	Dwelling	S. Z. Leslie	Railroad Ave.	Shavings in engine room	250.00	fully in'd
" 19	4	8.15 A.M.	Leslie's Mill	J. Horley & A. Raymond	W. River St.	Lamp explosion	None	
" 24	7	1 A.M.	Hurley's Tea Store.	O. C. R. R.	Green St.	Defective Chimney	800.00	fully in'd
Oct. 12	Whistle	1.20 P.M.	Dwelling	Dodge & Scott	Business St.	Incendary	400.00	fully in'd
Nov. 15	7	3.24 P.M.	Hay Shed	O. C. R. R.	Mt. Hope	Incendary	400.00	fully in'd
Dec. 12, 1892	Still	11.45 P.M.	O.C.R.R.A.R. Bridge	O. C. R. R.				
Jan. 24	7	9.25 P.M.	Raymond's Block	N. Raymond	W. R'r St. n. C. p'r av.	Incendary	2,790.00	2,445.55

*Steamer and Hose sent. †Chemical responded. ‡Chemical went to West Street and returned.

W. W. HILTON, Chief Engineer.
J. H. McKENNA, Clerk.
R. CORSON, Assistant Engineer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Hook and Ladder, No. 1, pay roll,	\$500 00
Chemical, No. 1, " "	250 00
Hose Co., " 1, " "	400 00
" " " 2, " "	450 00
" " " 3, " "	250 00
Warren W. Hilton, services as engineer	75 00
F. A. Sweet, " " "	37 50
R. Corson " " "	37 50
J. H. McKenna, " " "	37 50
Malcolm Rogers, " " clerk,	25 00
Edward A. Hawley, " " steward,	707 97
and cash paid out,	
R. Corson, use of horses, and expressing,	474 72
Chas. H. Galligan, use of horse, etc.	4 36
Geo. M. Stevens, apparatus,	411 57
J. A. & W. Bird & Co., chemicals,	53 69

Cornelius Callahan, Co., apparatus,	37 95
McBarron & Co., " "	7 05
Geo. T. Hoyt & Co., " "	3 00
J. H. Hinman, " "	15 00
Hyde Park Times, advertising,	5 00
Hyde Park Elec. Light Co., lights,	141 42
Quincy Dyer, hardware,	20 83
L. J. French & Co., supplies,	5 08
A. S. Jackson, hose,	300 00
S. B. Balkam & Co., coal and wood,	80 88
F. W. Sawtelle & Co, wood,	2 00
Chas. Lewis, labor,	51 75
C. T. Lovell, " "	7 13
American Tool & Machine Co., labor,	1 50
Chas. L. Bly, labor on alarms,	4 30
Jas. Mackintosh, repairs,	5 70
Chas. E. Berry, " "	1 00
Stewart McKenzie, " "	1 25
W. H. Plummer, rope,	1 00
Warren W. Hilton, labor and material,	27 48
Abbott Downing Co., on account hose wa-	
gon,	311 66
	\$4,745 79

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By balance from last year,	\$ 45 79
Amount of appropriation,	4,700 00
	\$4,745 79

FIRE HYDRANT SERVICE.

Paid Hyde Park Water Co. on acct. of contract,	\$5,200 00
	\$5,200 00

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By amount of appropriation,	5,200 00
	\$5,200 00